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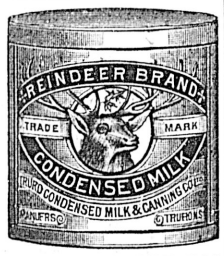

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Liberal Conservative Asso'n.

A general meeting of the Victoria Liberal Conservative Association will be held on TUESDAY EVENING, the 15th INSTANT, at the Adelphi Block, corner of Yates and Government streets, at 8 o'clock sharp, for the purpose of discussing the question of a

Nominating Convention.

All persons wishing to join the Association are invited to be present, or to send name and address to the Secretary.

A. STEWART POTTS, Secretary.

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Wednesday, Even'g, January 16.

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PUBLIC MEETING.

At the request of numerous citizens a Public Meeting will be held in the City Hall on Tuesday Evening, at 8 o'clock. Members of the Legislative Assembly are cordially invited to attend and address the meeting, on the Municipal Commissioners' bill now before the House.

JOHN TEAGUE, Mayor.

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MAYORALTY

To the Electors of Victoria:

At the urgent solicitation of influential ratepayers and friends, I have, after deliberate consideration, consented to be nominated for the office of Mayor, relying on their support and that of others who may have confidence in my ability to fill that office. As I am not a believer in miracles, I shall not promise what I might, could, would or should do, if elected. Suffice it to say that any measure of improvement that would be of benefit to Victoria, especially railway connection (so hopefully pictured) will receive my fullest support, in common with the whole community.

I do not believe that an electorate that so recently returned four members to the present Parliament can so suddenly have degenerated as to have become incapable of handling municipal affairs without recourse to commissioners, but would advocate a longer term of office for Councillors, that important works of improvement undertaken by any Board of Aldermen may not be disarranged whilst under construction by an incoming or new board.

It is unnecessary to recapitulate the thousand and one essential improvements which might be undertaken. The funds at the disposal of the corporation must regulate such matters.

As candidates will be afforded the opportunity at the proper time and appointed place of publicly expressing their views, I shall reserve further remarks until that occasion, relying on the support of old friends and their influence in procuring that of new ones.

And have the honor to remain,
Obediently yours,

JNO. J. AUSTIN.

Victoria, B.C., 11th January, 1895. ja12

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The numbers of the drawn debentures will be duly advertised for the information of the holders thereof.

F. W. VINCENT, Secretary.

Wharf street, Victoria, B.C., 12th January, 1895. ja12

TO INVESTORS.

Tenders are invited, and will be received until Monday, 28th January, 1895, for the purchase of the whole or of any portion of the following: 535 shares New Westminster Gas Co., Ld., each $20.00, fully paid up; 244 Nanaimo Gas Co., Ld., each $50.00, fully paid up; 18 shares Victoria Phœnix Brewing Co., Ld., each $100.00, fully paid up; 2 shares British Columbia Board of Trade, Ld., each $100.00, fully paid up.

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CAPITAL NOTES.

Premier Bowell's Health Improved—Prizes and Diplomas at Chicago Exhibition.

British Columbia Artillery Changes—Revenue and Expenditure of the Dominion.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—A proclamation will appear in the Canada Gazette to-morrow placing shingles and pulp wood on the free list under the tariff act of last session, the United States having reciprocated in this respect.

A proclamation puts in force from the 1st instant the amendment to the criminal code of last session, enacting that seven grand jurors, instead of twelve, may find a true bill in any province where the panel of grand jurors does not exceed thirteen.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell will be out next Wednesday. The doctor says the Premier's throat has greatly improved.

Major N. P. Snowdon resigns his commission in the British Columbia artillery to hold the rank of captain on his retirement. Paymaster Walter Shears also resigns his commission, to hold the honorary rank of captain on his retirement.

The Department of Agriculture received a communication from Washington in reference to the medals and diplomas connected with the Chicago Columbia exposition. The expectant recipients of these honors are very clamorous for them. This has resulted in a good deal of correspondence and repeated departmental applications to Washington. Information now comes from the executive committee on awards of the Columbian exposition that the diplomas are printed and the medals are being struck off under the supervision of the director of the mint. The Department of Agricultural learns that the medals may not be completed before May or June.

The revenue for December shows an increase of $80,000 over the corresponding period of 1893. For the six months, however, there is a falling off of $2,000,000, the total revenue being $16,399,486. The expenditure for the same period amounts to $14,129,418.

CABLE NEWS.

Mahtar of Chitral Murdered.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 11.—Nizum Ulmulk, Mahtar of Chitral, has been murdered by his young brother, Amir Ulmulk, who has declared himself Mahtar of Chitral. Chitral, or Little Kashgar, is a country of Asia, consisting of Lioner valley on the south slope of the Hindoo-Koosh.

German Conservatives Satisfied.

BERLIN, Jan. 11.—In the reichstag to-day the debate on the anti-revolutionary bill was taken up. Count von Limberg-Stirum, Conservative, declared that his party hailed the bill with satisfaction. The Socialists, he added, were not justified in claiming to be the sole labor party.

New Oriental Cardinals.

ROME, Jan. 11.—At the next consistory the Pope is likely to raise two Oriental patriarchs to the dignity of cardinals. The dignitaries believed to have been selected for the honor are Monsignor Azarian, the Armenian patriarch, and Monsignor Yuzeff, patriarch of Antioch. His Holiness attaches the utmost importance to these nominations. He looks forward to their making a deep impression throughout the East, and helping on the longed-for understanding between the schismatics and the papacy.

Victims of the Storm.

NAPLES, Jan. 11.—A violent wind and snow storm swept over Foggia, on the Great Plain of Apulia, to-day. Six houses collapsed, eight persons were killed and many others injured.

Denby at Marseilles.

PARIS, Jan. 11.—Charles Denby jr., secretary of the American legation in Peking, landed at Marseilles to-day.

A Battle Imminent.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The Rome correspondent of the Central News says the city has been greatly excited by an official dispatch from Massowah that General Baratieri with the Italian force is near Ras Hangascia, with the Mahdists but a short distance off. A river separates the hostile armies. The despatch says that a battle is imminent.

The Railway Convention.

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—Chairman Caldwell to-day telegraphed the general railroad meeting from Montreal that the consent of both the Canadian Pacific and the Grand Trunk has been gained to the formation of a new passenger association, if not on a basis entirely satisfactory to all concerned, at least of such a nature as will render the proposed association very useful, and will probably be ratified by all the roads concerned. The only difficulty that would remain in that case would be the adjustment of differences between the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific and the question of California rates with the Union Pacific. The first seems to be in a fair way to settlement. All of to-day was spent by the five lines mainly concerned in discussing these questions, the general meeting having adjourned early in the day to afford a chance for conference.

Drink Victoria Phœnix Lager Beer.

Fell & Co. have a well selected stock of wines and liquors for the Christmas trade.

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ARMENIAN HORRORS.

The Half Was Never Told—Boasts of Blood-Thirsty Soldiery as to Their Foul Deeds.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The Speaker publishes a letter from an unnamed correspondent in Constantinople who claims to have equal knowledge with the British ambassador concerning the Armenian atrocities. He professes to have seen the reports from the consuls in Van, Erzeroun, Sivas and Diarkebir, and says that they confirm the most horrible accounts already received. Concurrent reports, he says, come from Catholic and Protestant missionaries in the Sassoun district. The troops called out against the Armenians have returned from the scene of conflict to permanent quarters.

"They boast of their deeds publicly," writes the correspondent. "Their statements have been forwarded to Constantinople. One soldier declared that with his own hands he ripped up twenty pregnant women. Another boasts that he took part in a massacre in a church, and that the blood flowed in a large stream from the door. The soldiers believe that the Sultan ordered the massacre and approved of it."

The Daily News will say to-morrow in a leader emphasizing the importance of "The Speaker's" news from Constantinople: "It would be pedantry and folly to reject all evidence not given before the commission of inquiry, which does not seem to be in a hurry to begin its labors. Moreover, the impartiality of the commission is open to grave doubt. The appointment of it was a sulky concession to England, France and Russia, and its ideas as to the treatment of Christians can hardly be in strict accordance with modern civilization. Nevertheless the truth will be brought out, as the commissioners are under the vigilant eyes of the consuls. Turkey's fate hangs once more in the balance."

CANADIAN NEWS.

Three American Soldiers Drowned in Niagara River—Hamilton's Police Scandal.

Nova Scotian Politician Dead—Colliery Troubles at Springfield Settled.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

Nova Scotia's Speaker Dead.

HALIFAX, Jan. 11.—Michael J. Powell, aged 62, a member of the Nova Scotia legislature from 1882 to 1894 and Speaker of the Assembly during the past eight years, died to-day.

Niagara River Claims Three Victims.

NIAGARA, Jan. 11.—The three American soldiers drowned here last night by the capsizing of their boat belonged to the 21st Infantry. Their names were William Trentnow, of the 21st band, a son of the bandmaster, Private Tuttler and Corporal Denborgh. Six boats are now grappling for the bodies. At the time of the accident the sea was the heaviest here in many years.

Chief McKinnon Creates Scandal.

HAMILTON, Jan. 11.—Chief of Police McKinnon, whose absence in Toronto has caused considerable talk, has returned to town. Tom Gould, whose wife and sister-in-law are said to have been with McKinnon, claims to have secured sufficient evidence to claim a divorce.

Drowned in the Well.

PARRY SOUND, Jan. 11.—The five-year-old daughter of Jonathan Hymers, while stooping over an open well, fell in and was drowned.

Opposition in West Algoma.

PORT ARTHUR, Jan. 11.—As predicted, Jos. G Ding is to oppose Jas. Conmee in the pending contest for the seat in the provincial parliament for West Algoma.

Coal Troubles Disposed Of.

SPRINGHILL MINES, N.S., Jan. 11.—An agreement has been reached between the striking miners and the company's officers. There is rejoicing over the settlement of the trouble.

THE SAMOAN QUESTION.

Premier Sedden, of New Zealand, on the Anomalies of the Situation.

The Conditions a Blot on Civilization—Not a Dumping Ground for European Criminals.

AUCKLAND, N.Z., Jan. 11.—Premier R. J. Sedden spoke at length in Kokitita to-day concerning Samoa and New Zealand and the three interested powers. He said: "New Zealand's offer to administer Samoa is unanimously approved by all the Australian colonies. It was made in a friendly spirit to the powers concerned, the United States, who were indifferent in the matter, being cognizant of it. The Germans have made no progress in the colonization of Samoa. Their interests are waning yearly and the Germans in Australasia do not object to our proposal. The sight of the great European powers using warships to settle the trumpery disputes of the Samoan nation is a blot on civilization. All the fighting could be stopped by a few police." Premier Sedden complained of Lord Rosebery's attitude to New Zealand and his attack on the press, which simply reported an official regular offer. "If we must be subjected to ridicule," he continued, "with a view to conciliating Germany, it will not strengthen the bonds between the colonies and the mother country. New Zealand and the other colonies do not wish to interfere with Imperial interests, but it is of great importance to the colonies that the Pacific Islands be peopled with British colonists, and not made the dumping ground of European criminals as is New Caledonia."

For choice nuts and raisins go to Fell & Co.'s, Fort street.

TORONTO'S BLAZE.

The Loss Likely to Be Much Greater Than by the Fire of Sunday.

Leakage of Gas Said to be the Cause of the Great Conflagration.

TORONTO, Jan. 11.—(Special)—Last night's fire started where the Globe fire on Sunday left off. After burning furiously for four hours a downpour of rain fortunately prevented further damage. The fire broke out in the Osgoodby building at 7 p.m., and an hour later every floor had fallen through to the cellar. From the Osgoodby building the flames jumped to the warehouses in the rear. Bunting, Reid & Company's building was attacked and the upper stories were soon ablaze. The firemen were much handicapped by the poor appliances and lack of water, but notwithstanding worked hard and faithfully. The chief sufferers are the tenants of the Osgoodby building: W. S. Johnson & Co., blank book manufacturers; J. E. Knox, manufacturers' agent; the Paton Manufacturing Co., Sherbrooke, Que; Simmons & Evel, undertakers' supplies; J. H. Secomb, saddlery hardware; G. J. Gorrie, show cards. On Melinda street the losers are: Mrs. Elizabeth Garton, John O'Brien, James Rigney. On Wellington street, north side: S. F. McKinnon, James A. Conklin, T. D. Dunnett & Co., furs; W. P. White, manufacturers' agent; Corticelli Silk Co., S. H. Gray & Co., Brereton & Manning, furs; E. Boisseau & Co., Robt. Darling & Co. Wellington street, south side—Hart & Riddell, wholesale stationers; Hunter, Rose & Co., publishers; Buntin, Reid & Co., paper manufacturers; Kilgour Bros., paper box manufacturers. The three last named houses were damaged mostly by water. The loss will be much larger than at Sunday's fire, and the estimated insurance will aggregate about half a million. The firemen will for days be busy cooling the ruins and preventing the spread of the conflagration. The cause of the fire is ascribed to a leakage of gas in the buildings adjoining Sunday's blaze, occasioned by the disturbance of the gas mains and pipes at that time. It is thought that the Osgoodby building was filled with this and caught by an electric current. At a meeting of underwriters it was moved that insurance on buildings over four stories high be increased 50 per cent. This would have been passed only the members of the city council who were present, assured the insurance people that they would purchase four steam engines, ladders and other appliances. The city is practically without telephone communication to-day.

THE DISTRESSFUL ISLAND.

Condition of Newfoundland Specially Brought to the Attention of the Home Authorities—A Partizan Inquiry.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., Jan. 11.—Important correspondence between the Imperial and Colonial governments was presented to the legislature last night. The local executive in a dispatch to Lord Ripon, the Imperial colonial secretary, admitted that Newfoundland was in a deplorable condition and asked what assistance England was willing to give if the colony accepted a royal commission to investigate colonial affairs.

Lord Ripon replied that the English government was willing to appoint a commission, but could not pledge itself beforehand as to the course it would take upon receiving the commission's report. The local government will not accept a commission on these terms.

The government has started a war upon the correspondents of foreign newspapers, alleging that their messages concerning the financial situation are damaging the colony's credit. A star chamber inquiry into the matter was begun yesterday before the police magistrate. None of the correspondents or their counsel were allowed to be present.

The inquiry is largely partisan, as the first victim is Mr. McGrath, editor of the Herald, an Opposition organ.

Mr. Alexander MacKay, superintendent of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company, refused to answer any questions put to him, or to produce any messages. Hon. Donald Morrison, ex-Attorney-General, counsel for MacKay, was ejected by the police, and has brought suit against the magistrate.

The prevailing impression is that the proceedings will end in a fizzle.

CABINET DISSENSIONS.

Great Interest Taken in the Reported Trouble in the Rosebery Administration.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The rumored dissensions in the British cabinet attracted the greatest interest at yesterday's council, which met at noon. Sir William Harcourt, chancellor of the exchequer, and Rt. Hon. John Morley, chief secretary for Ireland, are understood to have been of the opinion that the Irish must be satisfied at all costs during the coming session of parliament. With this view, it is added, Premier Rosebery, Home Secretary Asquith and other members of the cabinet do not agree. It is said the misunderstanding as to the disposition of the surplus for 1895 is much more serious than was at first believed, the main point at issue being the claim raised by cabinet ministers and others that the surplus should be devoted to the use of the navy.

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Successful Raids on the Toughs of the Terminal City—Fire at Westminster.

Royal City Mills to Start Up—McGillivray's Pipe Works Resume.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 11.—The police of Vancouver have run in five more toughs, suspected of being implicated in the recent burglaries, making nine in all since the New England Fish Company's offices were sacked of their contents and the Hudson Bay Company's liquor store was broken into last week. One of the gang pleaded guilty to harboring a klootchman for the purposes of prostitution and will be sent to jail for a term at hard labor. Still another form of thieving has broken out in the West End. Citizens claim that their coal piles are being visited and deplete slowly but surely, a barrowfull at a time.

Mr. Braid has started in the wholesale grocery business here.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 11.—The Grotto hotel was sold out by the sheriff this morning.

The residence of J. W. Stein, Brownville, was destroyed by fire last night.

The Royal City mills will start up again next Thursday.

McGillivray's pipe works will start running on Wednesday. Orders are in for a large quantity of pipe for Cariboo.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S DISTRESS.

Work for the Unemployed—Steamers Likely to Make a Second Trip to Seal Fisheries.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., Jan. 11.—Private charity is doing much to help those who want for food. The government is instituting the preparatory step to provide work for the unemployed. Some American newspapers have telegraphed the American consul here proffering assistance and asking in what shape he would prefer it sent. The local relief committee expended $2,500 last week, and relieved 800 families. Fearful destitution prevails and hundreds will perish unless the situation is speedily grappled with. A bill passed the assembly last night to allow steamers to make a second trip to the seal fisheries this season. This will largely help to relieve the general distress.

BEGG'S HISTORY

Burned With Hunter, Rose & Co.'s Building in the Great Fire at Toronto.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 11.—(Special)—Mr. A. Begg, who is here, suffered serious loss in the Toronto fire, the volume of his "History of the Northwest," in course of printing, being burned with the Hunter, Rose & Co. building.

TEACHERS IN SESSION.

The Victoria Association Pronounces Against Any Change in the School Hours—A Vote of the Parents to Be Taken.

The initial regular meeting for 1895 of the Victoria Teachers' Institute was held yesterday afternoon, when the old question of re-considering the hour of holding the Association meetings was settled by a unanimous vote to retain the present time (2:30 p.m.)

The next question dealt with was the question of extending the noon intermission. By the terms of the School Act, boards of city trustees have discretionary power to alter school hours so that a recess may be given from 12 to 1:30, provided the afternoon session be lengthened half an hour. The Victoria School Board are about to put the question to the popular vote of city teachers and parents of city school children. Mr. Netherby was appointed returning officer by the board, and the ballot papers will fairly set before the parents all sides of the question at issue.

A vote of the Association on this matter was taken, the teachers as a body being in favor of retaining the present hours. The chief arguments advanced were three: Four o'clock in summer is too late an hour for obtaining good work from tired children, an additional half hour at noon would mean additional opportunity for getting into mischief, and the erection of new schools has made it possible for nearly all pupils to go home to lunch and return within an hour.

Mr. St. Clair's paper on the advantages of physical culture was listened to with marked attention. It was an able and scholarly production. A vote of thanks was tendered to the author, coupled with a request that he allow it to be published.

The next paper dealt with the law of heredity, especially in its connection with the education of the young. At its conclusion the house was divided against itself. Mr. Tait, Mr. McNeill and Mr. Paul strongly upheld Mr. Heath's views; Miss Cameron, Mr. Muir and Miss Arrowsmith attacked his theories, questioned their truth and asked for proof. The discussion which ensued became pertinent and spirited.

Trustee Marchant (who was present) contended that no child is predisposed to evil; Mr. Dallas as dogmatically asserted that all sinned in Adam.

The question of teachers' salaries was the last discussed, and a committee of twelve was appointed to collect statistics of salaries in other places with a view to instituting a comparison.

The meeting then adjourned.

Taking advantage of the powers granted by the school act the trustee board will next Tuesday submit to the parents and teachers the question as to the proposed extension of the noon recess from one hour to one hour and a half, with the addition of half an hour to the afternoon session. Mr. Netherby, the returning officer, will supply parents and guardians with ballot papers on Monday and these will be returnable the following morning.

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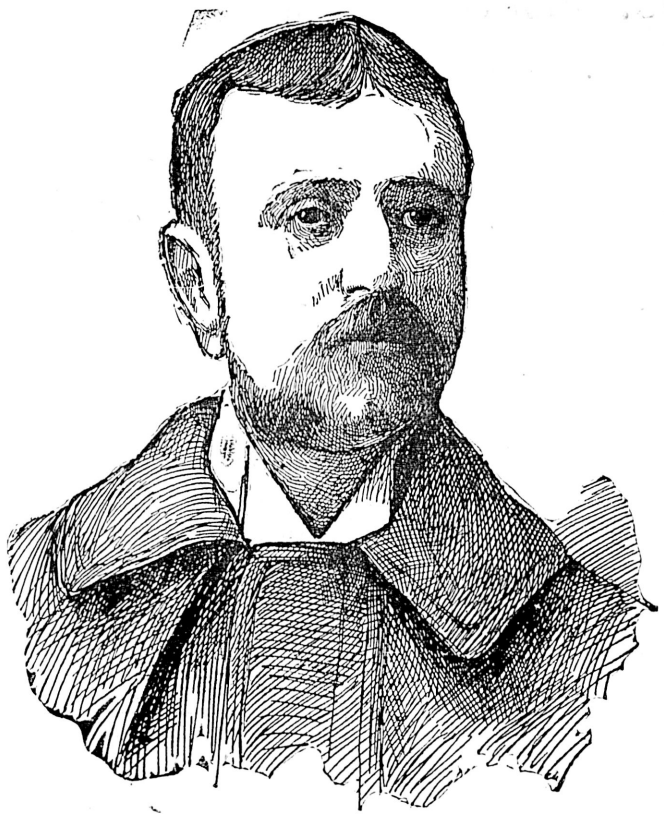

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Mr. John C. Frost, of the well-known firm of Francis, Frost and Co., Toronto, was speedily cured of biliousness, headache and severe neuralgia.

Mr. Frost writes as follows:—

I have been subject to severe bilious attacks and headaches for the past fifteen years. During that time I have been doctoring, and have also tried patent medicines, but nothing seemed to give me relief. Last winter, after suffering with neuralgia for about two months, I started to take Paine's Celery Compound, and before the first bottle was finished my neuralgia was completely cured. I have now taken six bottles, and I am very pleased to inform you that my old complaint has entirely disappeared, and I felt like a new person.

SHIPS AND SHIPPING.

The "C. D. Rand" Chartered for the Season—Sealers Getting Away.

The Upper Fraser Navigable—B. C. Lumber for San Francisco.

The schooner C. D. Rand has arrived from the Terminal City to complete her outfit for a sealing cruise. Capt. J. J. Whiteley, who formerly commanded and was part owner of the schooner Labrador, has with others chartered the Rand for this season and will, it is understood, go in her on the voyage.

THE FRASER OPEN.

The C. P. N. Co. were advised yesterday that the Upper Fraser is now navigable, and accordingly they will hereafter receive freight for all points on the river. Since December 30 the company's steamer Transfer has been tied up owing to the ice on the river.

SCATTERED SEALERS.

Much delay was experienced by Captain Byers, of the E. B. Marvin, in starting on his sealing expedition yesterday. His crew got scattered about town and when the vessel was ready to leave many of the men could not be found. Some would go to look for the missing ones, and they in turn would be seeking those who sought them. Finally all were gathered in, and the tug Daisy took the schooner out to sea.

MARINE NOTES.

By the middle of next month all the sealing fleet will probably be away. Those which will hunt on this coast are beginning to come alongside the wharves to take on their outfit. Seals are reported off the lower Californian coast, and the fact that some San Francisco vessels have made fairly good catches is making local sealers bestir themselves.

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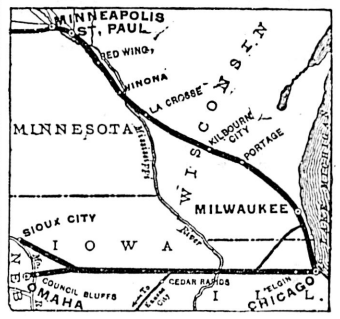

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Presentation of the Annual Reports Which Are Ordered to Be Filed.

Another Public Meeting on the Municipal Commissioners Bill—Printing Contract Awarded.

The city council yesterday afternoon held a special meeting to consider the annual reports of the various departments of the corporation. The reports were taken as read, adopted and ordered to be printed. Tenders for printing 300 copies of the reports were opened and the contract awarded to J. A. Cohen at $1.21 a page.

Eberts & Taylor, re Bossi v. Corporation, advised that no appeal be taken. Referred to in coming council.

F. C. Holden wrote that the ten miles of electric wire he had tendered for had arrived. Referred to the electric light committee.

The secretary of the Jubilee hospital sent in a resolution of the board asking for a conference with the city council in regard to draining the hospital to the sea. Referred to Ald. Humphrey and Keith-Wilson

The James Bay Athletic Club asked again for a crossing opposite the club, and that a drain nuisance in the vicinity be attended to. The letter was filed as instructions had already been given to have the crossing made.

H. Dallas Helmcken, M.P.P., sent copies of Mr. Braden's "Alien Labor and Eight Hours bill," prohibiting the employment of aliens on public works and to make the legal working day eight hours. Tabled.

The electric light committee recommended that Mr. Stickel's wages be reduced from $8 to $6 a day till the electric plant was completed. Adopted.

The street committee recommended that 1000 feet of sidewalk be laid on the southern side of Oak Bay avenue, 1,000 feet on the Burnside road, and smaller quantities on several other streets; also reporting that W. J. Ledingham had been awarded the contract for moving the fence opposite the Pearse and Turner property on Cadboro Bay road.

ALD. BAKER moved in regard to the gravestone question taken up last week, that the marble workers be informed that they will be allowed to use the stock they now have on hand of grave stones, although they may not be of the dimensions provided by by-law.

ALD. LEDINGHAM seconded this and Ald. Humphrey held that the present clause in the by law was absurd.

ALD. HARRIS did not favor the amending of the by-law as it was a simple matter to allow the present stock on hand to be used. Then everyone could fall into line. Carried.

ALD. DWYER said that a number of people were anxious to have a public meeting to consider the Municipal Commissioners' bill to which the members for the city and the Premier will be invited.

The MAYOR said he had already decided to call the meeting for Tuesday evening.

ALD. MUNN having stated that an electors' meeting in the South Ward was to be held on Monday night, it was decided that the council meeting be held on Tuesday morning, at 10 o'clock, instead of Monday night.

The council adjourned.

MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICER.

City Water Supply, Sewerage Conditions, Tuberculosis in Cattle and Other Subjects Dealt With.

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Victoria:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to herewith transmit to you my second annual report on sanitary matters in connection with the city of Victoria.

It gives me much pleasure to state that in spite of the existing conditions with us adverse to public health, such as the defective water supply, the still dangerous state of Chinatown, the incompleteness of our sewerage system and other matters with which you will be familiar, the general health of the city of Victoria has been good.

The number of deaths during the year was 299, compared with 363 in 1893. I trust that in my next report I may, with arrangements now under contemplation, be able to give a tabulated statement of the causes of death and of the local and other influences which tend to produce the diseases from which fatal effects result.

I feel—I deem it my duty to state—that to the members of the present council board is due considerable credit for the manner in which they have taken up and dealt with the long delayed extension of the sewerage system, and owing to their promptness and energy the fact remains that the business portion of the city is sewered, and we may therefore hope that it will not be long before that much to be desiderated object is attained—the proper paving of our beautiful city. In my last report reference was made to Victoria as a resort for visitors, and the existing causes leading to its thoroughfares not being as presentable as they ought to be. From this point of view, the presence of the cab stand on the leading thoroughfare is highly objectionable, but there is a much more important—the sanitary—reason why it should be done away with in the most frequented street of the city.

The extension and completion of the city sewers will have the effect of relieving the city from an incalculable source of danger—the carriage through the city for deposition on gardens outside the limits of the city of refuse and excreta containing germs of disease such as typhoid, tuberculosis, and so forth, particularly from Chinatown, to be re-introduced in many instances through the medium of the vegetables grown and peddled by the Chinese. Consumption, I may here remark, is very common amongst the Chinese in our city, hence, when the vegetables sold by them are kept for hours in their unsanitary dwelling places, we have an additional source of disease with which to contend.

Although numerous reports of the existence of small pox in Chinatown have reached me, I am happy to say that I have been unable in spite of the most diligent search to detect a single case, the maladies complained of being of an entirely different character, the only case at all resembling small-pox which was brought to my attention having been that of a girl of 16 years, early in the year. Of this I could find no trace, and whether small pox or not, I am happy to report that no ill effects have resulted.

In regard to leprosy, there have occurred two well-defined cases; the first (a Chinaman) presented himself to a resident physician for advice, the result being unfortunately that a clear case of leprosy was diagnosed. Of this fact the Chinaman became aware during the examination, and not being placed under police surveillance and reported to me, he made his escape. The closest search has failed to find him. The other was also that of a Chinaman, who after a strong resistance was taken to the Darcey Island lazaretto, from which he a short time after managed to get away—it is supposed with the assistance of outside friends.

During the last summer, through the kind consideration of your honorable body, I was enabled to visit China and Japan, and while there visited Hongkong and Shanghai and nearly all of the Japanese large cities, upon the sanitary condition of which and other interesting matters affecting the public health I have already reported. I may say in a word that constant vigilance on our part is the price of our exemption from the contagious maladies which have their (habitat) in the Orient. In view of this and the experiences of the past, I cannot but think that the time is an opportune one for the legislature of the province, at present in session, to adopt a strong memorial to the Dominion government calling upon them to provide for a thorough disinfection of the baggage of all Orientals arriving at this port,

It should not be forgotten, as has apparently been the case, that the conditions against which the quarantine system on the Pacific Coast has to contend are widely different from those obtaining on the Atlantic side of the continent. The exclusion of small-pox, plague and so forth, from British Columbia, the doorway to the Dominion, is to my mind of the most pressing importance, and the object can only be attained by the most active exertions on the part of the Victoria city council and the Provincial legislature, upon whom the duty devolves of bringing all possible influence upon the government of Canada to secure the necessary legislative and administrative action. This in a word is to provide for the fumigation at William's Head or all baggage and belongings of Oriental immigrants. In the meantime, until the Dominion government follows out this policy, it is the imperative duty of the authorities of the city to take upon themselves the responsibility of carrying out the necessary action, and thus protecting themselves.

I may here remark that whilst the city is possessed of an isolation hospital, it has no suspect station and no place for the disinfection of articles liable to contain the germs of disease, and I would therefore again urge the steps be taken for the obtainment of such an establishment as well as of a steam disinfecting apparatus by which everything treated can be effectually handled without being in any way damaged. During the year the city has been called upon to deal with a number of cases of scarlet fever and a few of diphtheria. The houses and their contents required thorough disinfection; but for lack of appliances the work was a difficult one, and not altogether unproductive of damage to the goods treated. We can never hope to be free from these diseases, which occur constantly in the best regulated cities, consequently, there must be some system of disinfection resorted to, and, with the action I suggest, the entire requirement could be covered and at a comparatively moderate cost.

It is satisfactory to see that the subject of the water supply is one of the most prominent in the discussions of the city council and the comments in the press. I trust that speedily some effective work may be done in the way of providing the city not alone with an ample water supply, but of one of the very best quality. It would be difficult for me to add anything to the recommendations on the subject made in my previous reports.

Not a single case of enteric or typhoid fever has been reported to me during the year, although I have indirectly been made aware of several cases being treated by city physicians. As is well known, this disease is caused by infection from a previous case and hence both householders and physicians should at once report their cases to the health officer, in order that the source of infection—generally milk adulterated by infected water, or more likely in this city uncooked Chinese vegetables—may be ascertained and the spread of the disease arrested. In this connection it may be well for me to refer to the necessity of having a careful and accurate inspection made of all house plumbing, particularly at the present time, when connections are being numerously made with the extended sewers. I would especially call the attention of your honorable body to this point.

A much larger number of the indigent sick of the city have been treated by me this year than during the year preceding. They were not only supplied with medicine, but some of them received orders for goods and other necessaries. Their ailments were not such as generally to demand their removal to hospital; but in many cases where this was done I have experienced much difficulty in securing for them the qualification necessary to their admission. Matters would be very much simplified if some arrangement could be reached by which the Medical Health officer's certificate would be regarded as sufficient.

A large number of the inmates of the police station during the past year were Indians who were frequently covered with filth and vermin, which took possession on several occasions not only of the cells but also of the blankets and straw mattresses, while it has been said by the jailers that even their clothing was affected. To avoid this, I would suggest that clothing should be supplied to each prisoner on his or her entrance, after a bath has been given. With this object in view a boiler should be fitted up in the station yard so that clothes and blankets can be purified, whilst spring mattresses similar to those in use in the Provincial Jail should be placed in each cell, prison labor being frequently utilized to keep the walls well whitewashed.

I have paid considerable attention to the matter of tuberculosis existing in some of the herds supplying the city with with milk, reported to you by the provincial government, and referred to me for investigation. In my first annual report I spoke of the dangers arising from impure milk, and suggested the adoption of certain regulations, but it was found that the city had no authority over the ranches outside of its limits. The present action on the part of the provincial government is to be commended, for I have no doubt that many of the cases of death ascribed to scrofula, tabes, hydrocephalus, etc., should have been classed as due to tuberculosis. Dr. Allan, health officer of the city of Toronto, traced the origin of several cases of tuberculosis to an affected cow, while the investigations at the Dominion Experimental Farm at Ottawa with some of their best stock have clearly shown that this dreaded and destructive malady may be insinuated into the human system through what might be considered pure milk.

I have conferred with the provincial minister of agriculture on the subject, who has assured me that a bill will be introduced at the present session which if carried out will as nearly as possible overcome the danger.

As your board must be aware, in view of the vast amount of ground which has to be covered, the position of the sanitary officer for the city of Victoria is no sinecure. He has, in fact, more work than he can do justice to, and I would again respectfully urge that the assistance of the city police force, which I am well aware is only limited in numbers, be more largely availed of in the work of inspection of nuisances, whether upon the street or in connection with residences and warehouses. The policeman upon his beat might readily find his way into many of the notoriously filthy yards and alley-ways and warn the householders of their violation of the sanitary laws, while in many cases, the simplest thing for an aggrieved resident would be to hint to the officer that at such a place sanitary conditions are of a most objectionable character, when he can act as circumstances require.

I might add that it would be, to my mind, in the public interest were more stringent regulations adopted regarding the keeping of animals—particularly pigs and poultry—within the limits of the city. They are regarded by many people as a nuisance at the best, and frequently their presence is not only highly objectionable but dangerous to the public health as transmitters of several forms of disease.

I have sent East for a supply of the diphtheric antitoxine—the new remedy for one of the dreaded diseases—and hope soon to have it on hand.

GEORGE H. DUNCAN,
Medical Health Officer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Some Suggestions as to the Better Protection of the City From Fire.

Chief Deasy calls attention to the annoyance caused by defects in the fire alarm system, the wires getting tangled up in every wind storm. He points out the lack of sufficient water pressure, and considers that three fire engines should be possessed by the department. He recommends that a stationary pumping engine be placed at the electric light station, with mains along the principal streets, and hydrants to protect the business section. He advocates that cailmen be dispensed with and a full paid force established. The erection of fire halls in Victoria West and above Fernwood road is also recommended. The unsafe condition of the Yates street hall is forcibly pointed out.

THE POLICE FORCE.

Chief Sheppard Makes Known Some of the Wants of His Department.

Chief of Police Sheppard reports that during the year there were no dismissals from the force and only one suspension. He attributes a considerable amount of the sickness of the men partly to the fact that overcoats, which were absolutely necessary, have not been supplied. Proper beds and mattresses are also required for the lockup cells and a boiler for treating the blankets so as to keep them free from vermin. The percentage of crime compares favorably with that of other cities of similar size and population.

PARK COMMITTEE REPORT.

Attention Called to the Wanton Destruction of Ornamental Trees.

The park committee report 1,250 yards of new drives constructed during the year and considerable repairing to the race track and other roads. New ranges of houses for the animals have been erected. The enclosure is said to be too small for the deer. The attention of the police is called to the wanton destruction of many chestnut trees. The animals in the "Zoo" are: 5 bears, 3 deer, 1 goat, 9 swans, 7 geese, 12 ducks, 4 pheasants, 2 vultures, 1 hawk, 1 owl, 1 cockatoo, 5 fantail pigeons, 12 guinea pigs, 3 white rats, 6 rabbits, 3 bluejays and 3 eagles.

CITY MARKET.

An All Round Improvement During the Year.

Market Superintendent Johnson regrets in his report that the market is not yet so liberally patronized by farmers as might be expected, they still seeming to prefer to sell to retailers rather than follow the more remunerative course of supplying consumers directly. The collection of market fees has not been as difficult as heretofore, and with more vigilance on the part of the police would be more satisfactory. The rents for the year were $1,690 50; market fees $1,118.60. There has been an all round improvement during the year.

OLD MEN'S HOME.

Superintendent Sutherland Thinks the Inmates Should, If Possible, Do Light Work.

There were admitted to the Old Men's Home 14 inmates, of whom 2 died and 7 have left; the present inmates of the home numbering 26, an average for the year of 25.2 against 16.3 in 1893. For improvements to the home $500 is required. A by-law to enforce obedience to rules is recommended, and also some plan by which those inmates physically fit should do a little work.

CEMETERY REPORT.

Number of Persons Interred at Ross Bay During 1894.

The interments at Ross Bay cemetery for the year were: Children (still born), 27; under 12 months, 36; from 1 to 5 years, 14; from 5 to 10 years, 5; 10 to 15 years, 5; 15 to 20 years, 2; 20 to 40 years, 54; 40 to 60 years, 39; 60 to 70 years, 30; 70 to 80 years, 16; 80 to 90 years, 6; Indians, 7; Chinese, 49; unknown, 9. Males, 210; females, 89; total, 299. This is a decrease of 59 males and 7 females.

SANITARY REPORT.

The Chinese Have a Wholesome Dread of the Law.

Sanitary Inspector Conlin reports that 2,000 lbs. of pork were seized during the year as unfit for human consumption. The sanitary state of the city is good, owing in great measure to the Chinese having a wholesome dread of the Police Magistrate, who, with the Medical Health Officer, rendered the inspector valuable assistance.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Synopsis of the Report of Dr. McGregor for the Year.

The report of Dr. McGregor, the librarian, shows that during last year 17,082 books were issued from the public library; 7,648 to women and 9,434 to men; highest number in one day 192, daily average 71. During the year 357 new members joined; total membership 4,020, books added to library, 540.

WATERWORKS.

A Few Facts From Mr. Raymur's Annual Report.

The city water commissioner reports 178,371 feet of pipe, 4 inches in diameter and upwards, in the city distribution system. The strict enforcement of the by-law requiring a separate service for each tenancy is urged. Particulars of the work done and the stock in hand are given.

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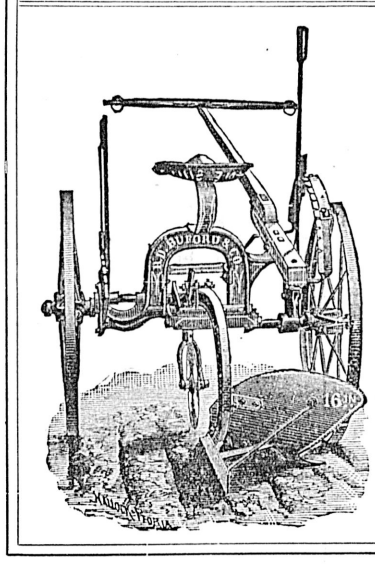

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G. A. CARLETON, General Agent.
Victoria, Sept. 1st, 1894.

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AN OBJECT LESSON.

Those who are raising such an outcry in this city about the inestimable value of the civic franchise and the fearful wickedness of those who would permit civic electors to forego the exercise of it in the case of aldermen for a short time, would do well to ponder the result of the election held in Vancouver on Thursday. Although the News-Advertiser warned the electors of the interpretation that would be sure to be put upon any considerable abstention from voting a good many less than a fourth of those who were entitled to vote went to the polls.

Our Vancouver contemporary on the morning of the election said: "In view of the fact that a deliberate attempt is being made to deprive a large proportion of those who enjoy it of the civic franchise, it is to be hoped that the municipal electors will go to the poll in large numbers to-day as a protest against the retrograde step proposed by the Attorney General. While this circumstance makes it especially desirable that a large vote should be polled to-day, the possession of the franchise, the electors should remember, imposes upon them a responsibility and a duty while it confers a privilege."

Being thus solemnly adjured by the News-Advertiser to go to the polls in large numbers, the electors of Vancouver were so little inclined practically to protest against the Government of Cities Bill and to exercise what they have been told is a privilege of incalculable value, they were so insensible to the impending danger and placed so light a value on the privilege of electing a Mayor and Aldermen that but a small fraction of them thought it worth while to cast their ballots. So little interest was taken in the election that a shower of rain, or it may be some mere trifle, prevented hundreds from exercising the privilege of voting for the men who are to shape the destiny of the city for the next twelve months. What do the Victoria agitators think of the practical comment of their neighbors in Vancouver on the fuss they are making? If the privilege of voting for Aldermen is anything like so valuable as some of the "resolutors" of Wednesday evening's meeting would have us believe the Vancouver electors would go in crowds to the polls, and care would be taken by the leading men to drum up every vote that would be found in or near the city.

The truth is that not only in Victoria and Vancouver, but in very many cities on this continent, intelligent people have begun to despair of having their city affairs decently managed under the present system. Everywhere are there mismanagement and waste, and almost everywhere is there corruption. Men get elected to city councils, not for what they can do, but what they can make. We are very far from saying that this is universally the case. There are, we have no doubt, some good men in every city council, but the proportion of boodlers and obstructors is so great that the honest men and the intelligent men find that they can do but little good. They get discouraged and the citizens become disgusted, and are looking about them for some better way of managing the affairs of cities than by men elected as the Vancouver Mayor and Aldermen were on Thursday, by a minority of those qualified to vote. This is a bad state of things, but how is it to be remedied? Is it not time that the management of cities were made, like the management of banks, insurance companies and great manufacturing and mercantile concerns, a matter of business pure and simple?

FAITHFUL OFFICIALS.

We are glad to see that Messrs. Hayward, Saunders and Lovell have consented to serve again as School Trustees. They have during the last two years done their duty faithfully and efficiently. The schools have prospered under their care, and if they are retained in office will continue to prosper.

The citizens of Victoria are under a debt of obligation to Mr. Charles Hayward. He has been now for a long time Chairman of the Board of Trustees. He devotes a good deal of his time to the duties of the position, and we are quite sure that the great majority of those who have had the opportunity of seeing how he does his work are convinced that he does it faithfully and well. The public spirit which Mr. Hayward displays in looking after the schools deserves public acknowledgement. His work is, as our readers know, a labor of love, yet if he had been paid a high salary he could not have been more diligent or more careful in its performance. We hope to see the three trustees we have named returned without opposition.

TORONTO BOODLING.

The full text of Judge McDougall's report of his investigation into civic corruption in Toronto, is published in the newspapers of that city of the 4th inst. It is clear, calm and dispassionate. The story which the Judge tells is most damaging. He shows that many of the servants of the citizens of Toronto were steeped in corruption. These men were ready to betray their trust to anyone, at any time for a price. In their chairs in the Council Chamber they appeared honest and faithful representatives of the citizens, most zealous to promote their interests and to administer the public money carefully and to the best advantage. In the saloons and in the private offices of contractors they were greedy and impudent blackmailers, ready to squeeze contractors who would not grease their palms and to sell their votes to the highest bidder. Before they were found out, if any citizen was bold enough to tax one of these men with being corrupt and unfaithful, the denial of those he accused would be virtuously indignant. They would put on an air of injured innocence and would most likely abuse him roundly for being suspicious of men who were sacrificing their time and their money for the benefit of their fellow citizens. And there would, no doubt, be many ready to take their part and rebuke the man who distrusted them for being unjustly and ungratefully suspicious. But Judge McDougall unmasks the hypocrites. They tried very hard to throw him off his guard and to evade his enquiry, but he could not be gulled. Professions of honesty and fidelity had no weight with him, and he paid little attention to denials unless they were corroborated by credible testimony. He was most astute in interpreting evidence, and when once he had a clue to an act of corruption he followed it up until the guilt of the accused was made as clear as day.

The case of Otto C. E. Guelich, of Detroit, who had tendered for paving, shows how the boodle aldermen did their bad business. Guelich had, as he believed, secured the contract. His was the lowest tender and it had been accepted by the Council, and he had put in his security for the performance of the work to the satisfaction of the City Treasurer. The surprise of the contractor may be imagined when, while spending an idle hour in the Headquarters saloon, he was approached by one of the innocent-looking aldermen and told that unless he paid him and several other aldermen the nice little sum of $15,000, the resolution declaring his to be the lowest tender and granting him the work would be rescinded at the next meeting of the Council. Guelich consulted his friend, John Shields, who happened to be in the saloon at the time, and after some deliberation he refused to be victimized. The names of the aldermen who approached the unfortunate contractor are Edward Hewitt and J. E. Verral. The upshot of the matter was that the disappointed aldermen went back on the contractor who refused to be bled, and the City Council reversed its action as far as Guelich was concerned, and gave 75 per cent of the work to higher tenderers, offering Guelich 25 per cent. of it, which he refused. By this act of treachery and bad faith the city lost some $15,000. "I have carefully considered the testimony given upon the matter," says the Judge, "the demeanor of the witnesses and the surrounding circumstances, and I have no hesitation in accepting the statement made by Guelich and Tully, and I find that on the 17th of July Guelich was corruptly approached by Ald. Hewitt and Ald. J. E. Verral, and it was plainly stated by Verral and substantially confirmed by Hewitt that unless $15,000 was forthcoming the contracts would be taken from him (Guelich)."

Other instances of corruption are given in detail by the Judge, in which a clever and unscrupulous lobbyist named Coleman figured largely. Coleman was practical and succeeded in buying the votes of several aldermen to advance the projects in which his principals were interested. He lent this alderman a few hundred dollars and promised another an order for supplies. One alderman, a Mr. Maloney, declared that he saw no harm in selling supplies of material to contractors. He said he was confirmed in his conviction of the innocence of such transactions by the late City Solicitor. Judge McDougall takes a very different view of the practice, and is careful to place his opinion of it on record. He says:

"It is manifest that no more effective method of securing aldermanic votes and influence can be devised than for contractors who tender for work to promise various aldermen in the Council the sub-contracts for the supply of material needed by them in the performance of their contracts."

The conclusions at which the learned judge arrived are summed up in the following pithy paragraph:

The truth of most of the statements in recitals in the resolutions of the 13th November, 1894, has been amply sustained by the testimony adduced in this investigation. It has been proven clearly that improper relations have existed between members of the Council of the city of Toronto and contractors and persons and corporations holding contracts and franchises with and from the city; it has been equally well established that contracts and franchises have been obtained by illegal, improper, and corrupt means; and I think that it is a necessary corollary of these two facts that the public business of the said city and the good government thereof have been seriously affected by the existence of these practices.

Judge McDougall's report is edifying reading to everyone who takes an interest in civic affairs. It shows that the electors of cities cannot be too careful in the choice of City Councillors. It makes it very clear that they should be men of tried integrity and also men who are not likely to be tempted by bribes to betray the interests of the city to contractors and others with whom it does business.

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ja11-2t W. J. DWYER.

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THE CITY.

THE Chinese New Year opens on the 27th of the present month.

THE junior and senior Wanderers meet this afternoon, to play a game of football.

MR. JOHN J. AUSTIN has announced himself as a third candidate for the Mayoralty.

AN official inquiry is to be held next week in connection with the origin of the White Horse hotel fire.

A SOCIAL and dance was given by the Ladies True Blue lodge in the A O.U.W. hall, last evening.

THE provincial land surveyors' association meets here next Thursday and will banquet at the Hotel Victoria after the business session.

IF "Ratepayer," whose letter appeared in yesterday's issue, has not yet seen his "bull" and will call at the City Treasurer's office he can have a lesson in bookkeeping gratis.

REPORTS from the Jubilee hospital yesterday were to the effect that Professor Alfred Dugay, the young tightrope performer who fell to the deck of the steamer Island Thursday afternoon, is recovering.

THE Methodists are selling their mission church and lot on Herald street, with the object of building in another part of the city where more effective work can be done. Tenders are invited in to-day's issue for the purchase of the property.

AT the adjourned meeting of the parishioners of St. James' Thursday evening considerable business was transacted with respect to the resignation of Ven. Archdeacon Scriven. Any steps to be taken thereon were left entirely to the church committee who will meet in due course.

RESERVED seats can be obtained at Jamieson's for the matinee production of "Romeo and Juliet," by the Keene company this afternoon. Prices are $1 for the orchestra chairs, 75c. for the orchestra circle and 50c. for the dress circle. Doors will open at 1:30 and performance will begin at 2o'clock sharp.

HIS WORSHIP Mayor Teague, as will be seen by advertisement, has called a public meeting of citizens, to be held in the city hall on Tuesday evening next at eight o'clock, to consider the Municipal Commissioners bill now before the legislature. Members of the house have been invited to attend and give their views on the question.

THE Y.M.C.A. popular concert to-night should draw a large crowd, the programme being more than usually excellent. The following are some of the numbers: Solo, Mr. W. Muir; instrumental duet, the Misses Boyer; recitation, Miss Strachan; duet (violin and piano), Messrs. Carter and Curtis; song, Mr. Firth; instrumental solo, Prof. Francis; song, "I Did It," Mr. Wheeler; piano solo, Miss Brown; trio, "Hush-a-bye Baby," Messrs. Clarke, Wheeler and Greenwood; illuminated club swinging, F. P. Gouge.

IN publishing in the COLONIST Mr. Rithet's reply to the Secretary of the public meeting held on Wednesday evening the omission of a letter completely changed the meaning of a very important sentence. Speaking of the bill relating to the government of cities by commissioners, what Mr. Rithet actually did say was: "I think also that it is a measure which if *never* enforced will have a most salutary influence upon those who may be entrusted with the management of our civic affairs."

LAST evening the new public hall on the Burnside road was formally opened with a grand ball. Attending were numerous Victorians, upon whose arrival at the hall the amusement of the evening commenced, the Bantly family orchestra supplying the music. The dancing was continued until after midnight, an interval being given for refreshments. The new hall faces the property on which the old Strawberry Vale building stood. It is a frame structure 30x60 feet, with accommodation for about seventy-five people. It possesses two dressing rooms, and is otherwise well equipped.

AUCTION.—To-day at 2 p.m. George Byrnes will sell on the premises, Government street, next door to Erskine & Wall's grocery, a fine assortment of Australian rugs, consisting of robes, rugs, mats, slippers, foot muffs, ladies' muffs and satchels combined. All these goods are manufactured from the best winter furs, consisting of kangaroo, wallaby, walleroo, golden beaver, opposum, bear, Tasmanian sable and platypus. The latter is one of the most wonderful of creation, being a combination of bird, beast, fish and reptile; as a bird having a bill like a duck and being oviparous or egg laying; beast, mammalia or suckles the young; fish, cold-blooded and can breathe under water; reptile, having double jointed and flexible vertibræ, as in snakes, lizards, etc. There are also some fine Emu eggs and boomerangs. The sale will be continued at 7:30 p m.

THE case of Gurney & Co. v. Braden & Stamford was argued yesterday before the Full court, Justices Crease, McCreight and Walkem presiding. This was an appeal from the judgment of Mr. Justice Drake in favor of the defendant Braden. The action was to hold both defendants liable for goods to the amount of $1,081 supplied by plaintiffs, appellants. Braden & Stamford were in partnership but dissolved. Plaintiffs sent in a claim for the amount and Stamford wrote back that the firm was dissolved and sent his note for the amount due. Plaintiffs kept the notes which were renewed by Stamford. Finally when the notes were sent to the bank, they were not paid and plaintiffs sued both Braden and Stamford for the original indebtedness of the old firm. Defendant Braden claimed that the act of the plaintiffs in accepting Stamford's notes after the dissolution, was practically an agreement on their part to look to Stamford for payment. This contention Mr. Justice Drake upheld. Plaintiffs now argue that Braden was never released. Judgment was reserved. Mr. E. V. Bodwell and Mr. A. E McPhillips for appellants; Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., for respondent Braden.

SEVERAL communications are held over from want of space in this issue.

THE Sir William Wallace Society's lecture last night was by Chief Russell on "The Songstress of Scotland." Next week Mr. R. Marwick will lecture on "Sir Walter Scott."

JUDGMENT was delivered yesterday by the Divisional court in Bailey v. the City of Vancouver. The appeal of plaintiff against the Vancouver electric light by-law, No. 214, is allowed and the by-law quashed.

THE Victoria Rugby Football Club will have a practice game this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Should Caledonia park be in a fit condition the game will be played there, otherwise Beacon Hill will be resorted to. All members of the club are requested to be present.

AH YOUK, who was arrested last Tuesday while endeavoring to sell some sink fixtures, on suspicion of having stolen them, was yesterday committed for trial on the charge of theft. Mr. Joshua Holland identified the property as having been stripped from the sinks of two vacant houses owned by him on King's road.

THE "Home restaurant," which opened its doors to the hungry public a few short weeks ago with the announced determination of satisfying the traditional long felt want, is closed again. The blinds are drawn, the tables are deserted, and the proprietor, Mr. John McLarty, is not in evidence. The employes of the restaurant are busily searching for him and the police have summonses which they are desirous of serving upon him. The case—of neglecting to pay wages—was set for hearing in the police court yesterday, but was not called as service had not been effected.

AN Association football match between the Y.M.C.A. and Victoria College teams will be played this afternoon on the college ground at Beacon Hill. Players are requested to be on hand at 2:30 sharp. The following is the College team: Goal, Greenfield; backs, Goward and Erb; half backs, Green, Pemberton and McLeod; forwards, Wilson, Lawson, Higgins, Wilson and Lawson. The following will be the Y.M.C.A. team: Goal, R. Lorimer; backs, Knott and W. Lorimer; half backs, H. Scott, F. G. Fowkes and T. Cusack; forwards, J. Bland, J. W. Lorimer, H. Erskine, C. Cuthbert and W. Spring.

As already stated in the city press the Salvation Army has decided to open a Food and Shelter Depot in this city. This institution will afford ample facilities for successful dealing with the poor and unfortunates who are out of employment, also providing a shelter for the homeless. In operation it will be on the same plan as laid down by General Booth in his "Darkest England Scheme;" several of these homes are working successfully in other Canadian cities. The Army are in urgent need of financial help to meet the opening and furnishing expenses. A debt upon this institution would be most disastrous. To meet this need they are appealing to the friends of this movement for practical sympathy. Any donations will be thankfully received by Wm. Wilson, clothier, Government street, or Adjutant W. Archibald, 130 Douglas street.

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THE THERMOMETER.

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Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a. m.,	47°	Mean 47	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a. m.,	46°		
9 a. m.,	45°	Highest 51°	5 a. m—4 N. W.
1 p. m.,	49		1 p. m.—4 N. E.
5 p. m.,	48	Lowest 43°	9 p. m.—8 S. E.
9 p. m.,	50°		Rain—0.56.

Average state of weather—Cloudy.
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THE M'GARRIE MYSTERY.

No Direct Information Yet Received—A Theory Implicating Whiskey Traders.

Patchwork History of the Victim's Strange Career From His Own Statements.

The provincial police have as yet received no official intimation of the mysterious killing of William McGarrie at Shoosharti on New Year's day, word of which was brought down by Captain Langley, of the Thistle, on Wednesday. The case is a strange one, all the circumstances as they are at present known pointing to a deliberate and cowardly murder. The location of the bullet wounds—in the back of the head—would indicate that the unfortunate man was shot, not in a "fair fight", but from behind—by whom, the future must disclose.

McGarrie was one of the best known characters of the North, and was a frequent and welcome guest of all the Indian tribes of Vancouver Island, from Queen Charlotte's to Beechy Bay. Few have had more adventurous careers or occupied a wider stage of action.

From a friend who knew him well it is learned that he was born in East Saginaw, Mich, about 65 years ago, his father being an Irish locomotive driver on the Grand Trunk railway. His boyhood was spent in London, Ont., and at Woodstock, then little more than a village, he made his first appearance as a rider of race horses, his fame as a jockey almost half a century ago, being second to that of no one in America.

Following the races McGarrie soon developed into an all round sport, and when he reached California in the early fifties he was a full fledged card "sharp" as well as an expert race operator.

Then New Mexico was his home while he made frequent excursions into Arizona as a professional stage robber. These terminated in a lynching party being formed at which McGarrie was expected to be the especially distinguished guest, according to his own statements to friends in later years. He and his gang of kindred spirits gave battle to their pursuers and McGarrie himself shot dead the foremost of the citizen party—a judge of Albuquerque.

After this exciting experience McGarrie returned to San Francisco and for a time dealt faro for a noted sport there—one Col. Ross—by whom he was subsequently sent to British Columbia to "work" the steamers plying on the Fraser river, which for a time was considered a very good "graft."

About five or six years ago his operations with the pasteboards brought him to the Nanaimo jail, from which after a brief imprisonment he escaped, not to be recaptured. He went first to Washington territory and lived for a time among the Coast Indians there, profiting considerably by the frequent wrecks along their shores. Then he removed to the north, where during the past few years he has been known as a daring smuggler—the ex-king of Port Townsend's "Whiskey Flat,'—a guide, hunter, trapper and storekeeper, the head man of the Nawhitte Indians, and the proprietor of a fine ranch on Hope island. His wife Polly is a full-blooded Fort Rupert Indian, a woman of great kindness and charity, as all who have visited the house over which she presides will testify.

The only theory formed by McGarrie's friends here in connection with his death is that he became involved in a quarrel with some of the whiskey traders who frequently visited his store, and was shot by them in revenge. The Indians were his sworn friends, and it is not thought probable that they would do him injury.

THOMAS KEENE'S "HAMLET."

A Scholarly Personification of the Melancholy Dane of Shakespeare.

Crowded House at the Opening Performance—"Richard III" the Bill for This Evening.

A Hamlet was given at the Victoria last evening which while not entirely novel in its conception was most consistently drawn. Mr. Thomas Keene and his company of players were the mediums through which this psychological study of William Shakespeare was seen with renewed interest. Hamlet—both character and play—has always seemed to be afar off — half hidden in a mist of legendary tradition and interpreted in a stilted, unnatural manner, which never for a moment permitted the mind of the auditor to forget that he was witnessing a bit of theatric art—high art it is true in a literary sense,. Mr. Keene's Hamlet is introspective from the moment the curtain rises, and we find him on his couch of skins at the foot of the throne to the "last scene of all," when with the potent poison stilling his heart beats he sits on the great Danish coronation stool—the dead but rightful heir.

The rendition is a self communion—a bitter struggle between a student nature, softened and rendered irresolute by overwhelming grief and shame—and the underlying semi-barbaric thirst for revenge. "That Hamlet was sane none may doubt who has faithfully and sensibly followed the text." This is Mr. Keene's view. He makes him mad only so far as a seated melancholy might warp an over-sensitive mind. His one departure from this is in his scene with Ophelia when enraged and stung by her duplicity he gives way to a burst of feeling which is nearer akin to true madness than at any other period of the play. His "To be or not to be" is a half breathed soliloquy which for beauty of reading and absolute naturalness has seldom if ever been surpassed.

Nor to Mr. Keene alone is due the entire meed of praise. His fellow players lend an atmosphere to the scenes which is as delightful as it is novel. The costuming is both correct and artistic and the stage management is to be congratulated on the harmony of its distribution of color. Of the company much can be said in praise. The entire production was a well pointed picture.

Mr. Edwin Arden gave a breadth and timbre to the character of Laertes that appealed strongly to his audience. His scene over the dead body of his sister was a touching bit of realism and won a deserved recall. Miss Lillian Lawrence's Ophelia grew into favor. Her earlier acts were marred by a lack of color and a dramatic inertness, but the young lady redeemed harself in the mad scene. There was a pathetic tenderness in her half chanted songs that was pitiful. The business of this scene was startlingly original, notably the draping of the shroud and the placing of the candles at the head and foot.

Mr. Hennig's ghost was a good bit of reading, and the remainder of the parts were in thoroughly capable hands.

To-day the bill for the matinee is "Romeo and Juliet," "Richard III"—Keene's masterpiece and key to fame—being reserved for the evening, when it will be presented with the following cast:

King Henry VI.....Mr. Eagleson
Edward, Prince of Wales, afterwards King Edward V.....Miss Lawrence
Richard, Duke of York.....Miss Black
Richard, Duke of Gloster, afterwards King Richard III.....Mr. Keene
Henry, Earl of Richmond.....Mr. Hennig
John Morton, Bishop of Ely.....Mr. Garth
Duke of Buckingham.....Mr. Arden
Duke of Norfolk.....Mr. Baker
Earl of Oxford.....Mr. Milton
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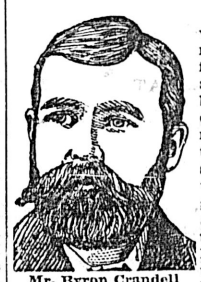

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

First Session of the Seventh Parliament.

THIRTY-FIRST DAY.

FRIDAY, January 11, 1895.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 p.m.

Prayers by Rev. G. Clement King.

MR EBERTS presented the thirteenth report of the private bills committee declaring proved the preamble of the bill to amend the Vancouver incorporation act. Adopted

MR. SWORD presented a report from the printing committee. Adopted.

NAKUSP & SLOCAN RAILWAY.

MR. SEMLIN moved the adjournment of the house for the purpose of calling attention to the position of affairs with respect to the Nakusp & Slocan railway. The answer made by the leader of the government yesterday showing that the final payment on account of the guarantee bonds is about to be made to the company, and also that there are certain claims against the company which cannot be enforced by a lien on the road, he thought that the house should instruct the government to see that the employes are paid before the rest of the money is handed over to the company.

A long discussion took place as to whether or not such a motion was in order under the circumstances.

HON. MR. DAVIE said that, without reference to the regularity of the procedure, he would endeavor to relieve the painful concern of the leader of the opposition. He could tell him that the government has at least an equal concern, not only for the employes referred to, but as well for all other creditors. Long before the question was asked or suggested in this house, the government had taken steps to ascertain all possible particulars with respect to the matter. When, therefore, he stated yesterday that there was no danger of the men losing their money, he said what he had assurance was the fact. The work upon the road has only recently been finished, and the company require to get their final certificate for the very purpose of being enabled to pay their liabilities. As the house knows the bonds have been sold, and the money has been paid over to the bank from time to time to make good the overdrafts which the company had there. There are he believed some accounts due to workingmen, but not so much as is due to other persons. He was not prepared to say, however, that the company have made default in their payments, the position being simply that they could not pay yet because the government has not felt justified in making the final payment, pending the taking over of the road by the C.P.R., which occurred only a few days ago. The government may be trusted to take abundant security that the claims against the company will be paid. The hon. gentleman's solicitude, while no doubt very praiseworthy, was not called for, and his suspicions against the government will prove to have been not well founded. He might fittingly recall now the assertions of the hon. gentleman opposite last session that this road would not cost for construction anything like the $17,500 guaranteed by the government; they declared it could be built for $12,500, and one even went so low as $7,500, asserting that there would be a big lot of boodle and much else to that effect. The fact, however, is, that it has cost not only all of $17,500 per mile but considerably more. But the road has been built, and, as stated before, the government has taken precautions to see that all claims have been paid.

MR SEMLIN, in view of the explanation just made, withdrew his motion.

THE TUBERCULIN TEST.

DR. WALKEM moved: "That an order of this house be granted for a return showing the number of cattle examined and those tested for tuberculosis by the tuberculin test, with a full report of the mode of procedure as followed by the inspector, both before and after the injection of the tuberculin lymph, with a tabulated form showing the date of injection, kind and dose of tuberculin used; maximum and minimum temperature, both before and after injection; number of hours after injection when the temperature first exceeded the maximum of the previous day; the number of hours after the injection during which the temperature was higher than the maximum of the previous day; the amplitude of the reaction; date when killed and examined post-mortem, and the absence or presence of tubercolosis (+ present, - absent) Also a return showing the condition of Mr. McRae's cattle with regard to the appearance and condition of the animals without the test, and the opinion of the inspector as to their fitness for food, and his reasons for or against."

HON. MR TURNER said the return will be forthcoming shortly. He did not think, however, that there is any necessity for part of the motion, as Mr. McRae's cattle which were in quarantine have all been slaughtered. Out of 46 or 47, all but two were found to have been very badly infected, it being evident to everyone who saw the carcases that the animals ought to have been killed. The two were not noticeably diseased, but if it had been thought worth while to apply the miscoscopic test the result might have been different.

MR HELMCKEN asked if there was anyone present on behalf of the government at the slaughter.

HON. MR. TURNER replied in the affirmative.

MR. HELMCKEN asked:—"1 Whether tuberculin is an infallible test of the presence of tuberculosis in animals? 2. Whether tuberculin may not cause the same action as in cattle not affected by tuberculosis? 3. Whether the injection of tuberculin may not cause tuberculosis in cattle not previously affected? 4. By what authority is it proposed to order the destruction of animals in quarantine? 5. Who pays the cost of the various men in charge of animals in quarantine? 6. Who pays for the feed of animals while in quarantine? 7. Will the whole cost of maintaining animals in quarantine (including the cost of keeping man in charge and feed of animals) be ultimately borne by the owner of such animals? 8. Is it the intention of the government to appoint a representative, other than the inspector, to be present at the slaughter of any animal while in quarantine?"

HON MR TURNER said he was not prepared to answer these questions to-day, being still occupied in studying the matter, as he will first have to convince himself. As he remarked the other day, he thought that at least some of the questions are not in order, as they ask for a statement of government policy which in the public interest can not now be made, and he quoted from May in support of this contention. He did not wish to avoid these particular questions, but did not want to have them taken as a precedent. He spoke in the interest of future ministers of agriculture, who if they are to answer questions such as these ought to study up and obtain certificates before appointment. In his own case, however, being well up in years this is not an easy matter.

THE SPEAKER said, with respect to his ruling of the other day, that all these questions were in order, having since heard the matter discussed he was of opinion that the first three are out of order, being hypothetical.

INSANE ASYLUM.

HON COL BAKER, in answer to Mr. Williams, said Dr. George F. Bodington has been appointed resident physician for the provincial asylum for the insane at New Westminster, in place of Dr. Bentley.

PROVINCIAL VOTERS' BILL

The house went into committee on the provincial voters' bill (Hon. Mr. Davie), with Mr. Prentice in the chair.

The sections in the bill as introduced were adopted, and Mr. Sword moved an additional one to compel collectors of voters to advertise for three weeks the names proposed to be struck off. After considerable discussion the committee rose and reported progress.

Continued on page Eight

Big Gold Strikes.

CREDE, Col. Jan. 11.—A big gold strike was made yesterday in the New York and Chance mine at this place. Heretofore the mine has been a rich silver producer and has enriched the owners by several hundred thousand dollars and now has developed into a gold producer. The strike was made on the 1,000 feet level. A shipment made today carried fourteen ounces of gold and 400 ounces of silver. Great interest prevails at Silver Cliff over a new gold strike four miles from town. The rock formation and ore is said by Cripple Creek experts to be identical with that of the Bull Run, and has been made by the best assayers in the state to show from $12 to $700 per ton gold and silver values. The vein is on the Bassick mine belt.

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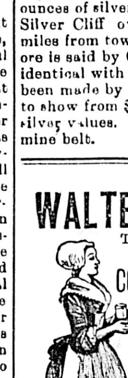

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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE

—OF THE—

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—OF THE—

Victoria City School District

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1894.

EXPENDITURE.

Teachers' salaries		$33,911 00
Janitors		2,095 00
Fuel		1,106 25
Secretary's office salary	$ 420 00	
Secretary's postage and supplies	75 63	
		495 63
Printing and advertising		254 28
Furniture, school		3,828 38
Supplies		233 75
Alterations and repairs to buildings, furniture, etc.		1,411 83
Sundries—		
Hire of furniture	32 50	
Fire insurance premiums	565 00	
Scavenger	220 50	
Election expenses	162 90	
Telephones, rent and instalation	283 55	
Legal expenses	5 00	
Hack hire and expressage	23 00	
Aberdeen reception	75 00	
Water rate, Victoria West school	12 00	
Sundry small repairs to school furniture	17 05	
Repairs to harmoniums, High and Central schools	36 00	
Caretaker at South Park school	44 75	
Janitor to Board	30 00	
Rent Baptist Mission Hall, Victoria West	50 00	
Miscellaneous	13 25	
		1,570 50
Interest on Education By-law Loan, $85,000, at 4½%	3,825 00	
Sinking Fund, By-law Loan	557 00	
		4,382 00
Total gross cost of schools for maintenance		$49 318 62

RECEIPTS.

Provincial Government—Per capita grant of $10.00 on average actual attendance		$16,413 20
Provincial Revenue Tax	$12,351 00	
Less cost of collecting, 8%	988 08	
		11,362 92
Amount paid out of revenue of the Corporation of the City of Victoria		21,542 50
		$49,318 62

CHAS. HAYWARD,
Chairman of the Board.

B. WILLIAMS,
Secretary to the Board.

J. L. RAYMUR,
City Auditor.

Detail of Expenditure of Proceeds of Education By-Law Loan, 1893.

South Park School—		
Site	$ 7 000 00	
Building	29,355 05	
Drains	1,942 08	
		$38,297 13
North Ward School—		
Site	$ 7,100 00	
Building	29,013 17	
Grading, fencing, etc	5,193 92	
		41,307 09
Central and High Schools—		
New toilet buildings		3,849 75
Sundry—		
Discounts on bonds	1,275 00	
Lithographing and printing	185 00	
Advertising	131 70	
Exchange on drafts	8 37	
		$ 1,610 07
		$85 104 04
Credit—		
Amount of loan	$85,000 00	
Interest, 1893	752 17	
Interest, 1894	583 80	
	$86,335 97	
Balance to credit of loan account		$ 1,231 93

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NOTICES.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

For Mayor and Aldermen.

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of Victoria that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall, on Monday, the fourteenth day of January, 1895, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor and Aldermen.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows:

The candidate shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed to by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p.m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on Thursday, the seventeenth day of January, 1895, between the hours of 8 a.m and 4 p.m.

For Mayor—At the Police Court Room, City Hall.

For Aldermen for the North Ward—At the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For Aldermen for the Central Ward—At Burnes' Block, Bastion Square.

For Aldermen for the South Ward—At No. 27 Government street, being on the east side.

Of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria, the 5th day of January, 1895.

W. K. BULL,
ja6 Returning Officer.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Election of School Trustees.

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall, Victoria, on Monday, the fourteenth day of January, 1895, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing three persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

The mode of nomination shall be as follows:

The candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed to by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p.m. of the day of nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on Thursday, the seventeenth day of January, 1895, for the election of the said Board, at the Court of the City Hall, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., at which time and place each Elector who is duly qualified to vote for Mayor, and who (if liable) has paid the Provincial Revenue Tax of three dollars for the year 1894, will be entitled to cast his vote for three candidates for members of the Board of School Trustees, but may only give one vote for any one candidate.

Of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria, the 5th day of January, 1895.

W. K. BULL,
ja6 Returning Officer.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION.

To the Electors of the Victoria City School District.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

We the undersigned, the retiring trustees on the School Board, respectfully offer ourselves for re-election. We trust that our efforts in the past have met with your approval and that on the present occasion we shall be again favored with your support and influence.

We have the honor to be
Your obedient servants,
CHAS. HAYWARD,
HENRY SAUNDERS,
ja11 J. B. LOVELL.

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We, John B. Perry and John Clauss Voss, formerly members of the firm carrying on business as hotel and restaurant keepers, in the premises known as the Queen's Hotel, Store street, Victoria, British Columbia, in the City and County of Victoria, under the style of Voss & Perry, do hereby certify that the said partnership was on the 8th day of January, 1895, dissolved by mutual consent.

Mr. John Clauss Voss will carry on the business and will assume all liabilities and assets of the late firm.

Witness our hands at Victoria, the 8th day of January, 1895.

JOHN B. PERRY,
J. C. VOSS.

Witness—DENIS MURPHY, No. 46 Langley street, Victoria, law student to S. Perry Mills.

ELECTION CARDS.

MAYORALTY.

TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

At the request of a number of voters I beg to offer myself for re-election to the office of Mayor at the Municipal Elections for the ensuing year, and most respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

I beg to remain,
Your most obedient servant,

ja1 JOHN TEAGUE.

THE MAYORALTY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF VICTORIA: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I have thought it my duty to accept the invitation tendered by many of you to become a candidate for the office of Mayor, and I now declare this my intention. It is customary to put forward some idea of the pinciples and policy of one seeking public office, and especially on this occasion is it expected of candidates that they should attempt to justify the confidence which they seek to inspire. With this end in view I will briefly state my opinions as to civic administration. Nature has favored this city with one of the most beautiful sites in the world; and the very fact of a residence here is a constant delight to the dwellers within our gates. But that man may not destroy nor impair the sweetness of our surroundings, certain works are absolutely necessary and must be promptly carried out by corporate effort Foremost among them are:

A pure and wholesome water supply.
A complete sewer system.
A properly organized scavenger service.

These works, as is well known to some of you, have already engaged my attention, and I hope before long to see such primary essentials to our city's welfare efficiently secured.

There are other matters which, as we progress, will have to be undertaken in order to ensure our comfort and happiness. Among those requiring more immediate attention may be mentioned:

The straightening of suburban streets from that zigzag misery that now afflicts them.

The paving of the business portion of the city.

The grading of the new additions so as to be ready for sewer and water connections.

The Jubilee hospital question presses and must be settled without further delay, for as yet no arrangements have been made with that institution for the support of the sick poor of our city.

The fire department is inefficient. The Chief declares the city has outgrown the force and apparatus at his disposal; in short, the whole of the large North Ward is entirely without fire protection.

A new cemetery is one of the pressing needs of our city. This can easily be acquired and if properly managed need not be a drag upon the city revenue, but soon become a large source of profit and satisfaction to our citizens.

Railway connections directly with the East by the proposed "British Pacific," or any other transcontinental road that will make Victoria its terminus, should be given all possible aid and inducement.

The above are some of the measures I should endeavor to secure, always remembering that it is the duty of civic administration to secure an actual advantage to the ratepayer for his share of contribution to the revenue.

Owing to the large list of voters it is a physical impossibility for me to make a personal canvass. I therefore take this my only opportunity directly to address the individual elector and earnestly solicit your influence and votes.

I have the honor to be,
Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
J. KEITH-WILSON.

Victoria, B.C., Jan. 9, 1895.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the request of numerous ratepayers in North Ward, I beg leave to offer myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming Election. Having already served two terms in the City Council, thereby gaining valuable experience, I am confident I would be able to do justice to the ward and to the city as a whole. I therefore respectfully solicit your influence and support.

ja9 EDWARD BRAGG.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming election.

ja10 JOHN KINSMAN.

To the Electors of South Ward.

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the Board of Aldermen at the coming Municipal Election, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

ja11 WILLIAM WILSON, Ex-Ald.

To the Electors of South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—I respectfully offer myself as a candidate at the forthcoming Election as Alderman, and solicit your votes and influence.

ja3 HEDLEY CHAPMAN.

To the Electors of South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for Alderman for the above Ward for the ensuing year.

ja8 W. G. CAMERON.

FOR ALDERMAN.

To the Electors of South Ward:

Having been requested to become a candidate for Alderman in South Ward, I beg to state that my services are again at your disposal. Trusting that my past record in the City Council has been satisfactory I respectfully ask your support at the forthcoming election.

ja10 H. A. MUNN.

To the Electors of South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

I beg to offer myself as a candidate for re-election for South Ward. I have endeavored in the past to do my duty towards the city at large, and if elected will strive to continue so to do. With regard to measures which have been brought before the Council, such as water supply, aid to Royal Jubilee Hospital, etc., will receive my best attention, and any railroad scheme not pressing with undue weight on the finances of the city will also receive my favorable consideration.

Trusting my past actions have your approval, and requesting your support at the coming election, I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

ja10 D. R. HARRIS.

ELECTION CARDS.

To the Electors of Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the request of many electors I beg to offer myself as a candidate for Alderman at the coming Election. Having been in business for a number of years, I fancy that I am well known to you all, and if elected, will try and do my best for this ward and the city generally. I am in favor of paving the principal streets, and of a permanent readway in place of the present bridge. A new steam fire engine is much needed, and it will be my first step to procure an appropriation for the same and to redistribute the apparatus as the chief may direct. The streets in the business parts should be thoroughly cleaned before business hours. In my opinion the city engineer is perfectly competent to construct first-class filter beds to our waterworks and to advise the council on all matters in connection with those works and others pertaining to his office. I promise that if elected I will assist all measures that will promote the best interests of our city. I am, yours respectfully,

JOHN PARTRIDGE,
ja8 Lansdowne House.

To the Electors of Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for re-election as Alderman for the above Ward for the ensuing year.

ja5 WM. HUMPHREY.

To the Electors of Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—I again offer myself as a candidate for re-election as Alderman for the above Ward, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

ja6 LOUIS VIGELIUS.

To the Electors of Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the earnest solicitation of numerous friends, I again offer myself as a candidate for Alderman, and if elected I shall strive hard to further the best interests of the city.

ja8 S. T. STYLES.

To the Electors of Yates Street Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the request of many of the ratepayers, I have consented to stand as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming Municipal Election, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

SAMUEL LEON KELLY.
No. 228 Yates street,
Victoria B. C. ja1

To the Electors of Central Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—The undersigned will be a candidate for Alderman in the above Ward, and shall be glad to receive the votes of all who may think him worthy of their support.

ja9 ROBERT T. WILLIAMS.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—In answer to a numerously signed requisition, I am a candidate for Alderman for the North Ward, and if elected will exert myself to secure pure, economical, efficient and just government under and by popular forms, and pledge myself to resist at all times any attempt to deny to the whole people the right of self government.

ja8 JOHN MACMILLAN.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the request of a number of ratepayers, I offer myself as a candidate for Alderman at the forthcoming Municipal Election, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence. Yours, etc.,

de28 WM. ALLEN.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—

Allow me to be a Candidate for Election to the Aldermanic Board, at the coming Municipal Election:

de29 EDWARD A. LEWIS.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—I again offer myself as a candidate for Alderman to the above Ward at the forthcoming Election.

ja5 W. J. DWYER.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—Having been numerously requested to run for Alderman for North Ward. I respectfully ask your vote and influence. It will be my earnest endeavor, if elected, to advance in every way in my power the best interests of Victoria.

ja6 FRED. W. WELDON.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—Having been requested by a large number of ratepayers to offer myself as a candidate at the coming Municipal Election, I respectfully ask your votes and influence.

ja8 A. J. McLELLAN.

To the Electors of North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—At the request of electors, I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman at the coming Election.

ja6 BEAUMONT BOGGS.

To the Electors of the North Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I have been requested to offer myself as a candidate for Alderman for the above ward. I have no axe to grind, and if elected will transact your business as conscientiously as I would my own.

ja8-td H. E. LEVY.

To the Electors of South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I beg respectfully to offer myself as a candidate for election as Alderman for the South Ward in the coming Election. Having had previous experience in the Council, and being in a position to devote considerable time to civic affairs, if elected, I will use my utmost endeavors to further the best interests of the South Ward and the city generally.

JOHN HALL.

James Bay, Jan. 1, 1895. ja3

To the Electors of South Ward.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—In compliance with the wishes of a large number of Electors, I offer myself as a candidate at the Municipal Election, and solicit your votes and influence.

Your obedient servant,

ja5 JOHN JARDINE.

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TIME TABLE No. 23,

To take effect at 8,00 a.m. on Thursday, January 10th, 1895 Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

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Ar. 12.00 n'n.	78	Victoria		De. 3.00 p m
" 11.56	77	Russell's	1	" 3.04
" 11.46	74	Esquimalt	4	" 3.14
" 11.43	73	Stewart's	5	" 3.17
" 11.40	72	Parson's Bridge	6	" 3.20
" 11.33	70	Langford	8	" 3.27
" 11.23	67	Goldstream	11	" 3.37
" 10.55	58	Summit Siding	20	" 4.05
" 10.30	50	Shawnigan Lake	28	" 4.30
" 10.20	47	Cobble Hill	31	" 4.40
" 10.05	43	McPherson's	35	" 4.55
" 9.55	40	Koksilah	38	" 5.05
" 9.50	38	Duncan's	40	" 5.10
" 9.40	35	Somenos	43	" 5.20
" 9.33	31	Westholme	47	" 5.27
" 9.18	26	Chemainus	52	" 5.42
" 9.00	19	Oyster Bay Siding	59	" 6.00
" 8.51	16	Oyster Bay	62	" 6.09
" 8.20	5	Nanaimo	73	" 6.40
De. 8.00 a.m.		Wellington	78	Ar. 7.00

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A Claim Is Entered for the Estate of a "Steamer Pacific" Victim.

Mrs. Minnie Adams-Brooke Says She is Jennie Mandeville's Daughter.

When the ill-fated steamer Pacific sailed out of Victoria harbor on the morning of November 4, 1875, there were among the passengers Otis Parsons, his wife Jennie and their infant boy Jamie. That same night the Pacific was sunk in collision with the Orpheus off Cape Flattery, and all on board, with the exception of a passenger named Jelly and quartermaster Neil O. Henley, were lost. The memory of this calamity, one of the most terrible disasters in the shipping annals of the Pacific Coast, is revived by a strange story that now comes from San Francisco.

Mrs. Parsons, who was one of the Mandeville sisters, great favorites with the playgoing public of Victoria and San Francisco thirty years ago, had a deposit of several thousand dollars in the Hibernia bank of San Francisco. Some eighteen months ago the bank turned the amount, $4,700, over to the public administrator, and now a Mrs. Minnie Adams Brooke is through her attorney laying claim to the money on the ground that she is the daughter of Mrs. Parsons by a former marriage.

Mrs. Brooke asserts that at the time of the wreck in 1875 she was the wife of a man named Bowdish, and that she arrived in San Francisco to meet her mother only a day or two previous to the disaster. Hearing that Jennie Parsons had money in the bank, she at that time put an advertisement in the newspapers appealing to the public for information, and some weeks later she received from an unknown hand a bottle enclosing a letter said to have been found floating in the sea a few weeks after the wreck of the Pacific. This letter reads:

To whoever finds this bottle letter, please forward to Minnie Adams Bowdish, San Francisco, Cal.; 6:30 p.m. on board the Pacific.

MY PRECIOUS CHILD:—We are in awful peril, with little hope unless some vessel comes to our relief soon. The terrible darkness that has settled over us since 4 o'clock increases the fears of the already panic-stricken passengers—men and women wringing their hands and praying. I do not fear death for myself, but for poor little Jamie and for you, my darling. I dare not think what it will mean to you, this sudden ending in prospect. My training keeps me calm in this terrible tumult. I know there is one chance that some of the hardy ones may be picked up in the event of our going down and I shall improve that chance to send this the last of six letters which I have written and given to as many robust men who can swim. They are friends of ours from Victoria, and will mail the letters if they live—this one I will put in a bottle and drop in care of the sea, God grant some of them may find you, and be at least the means of bringing you and yours financial comfort. The boat was found to have sprung a leak an hour ago, and the Captain ordered the cargo and baggage thrown over, as the boat began to sink, and distress signals have been up for hours in the forlorn hope that some boat may see and rescue us. I regret now that I did not write you more about my financial affairs, but there were so many other things to write about, and who would dream of life's curtain being "rung down like this?" Still, when I wrote you that last letter from Victoria, I had a presentiment of some trouble, but I tried to throw it off because I knew my nerves had been so overwrought as to bring on nervous prostration and I was not strong. I have given letters to Thomas Beverly, J. Fell, J. S. Webster, J. Fitzgerald and W. Wells. In those letters I gave a list of my property and will now give the same here. I have banked—there is such confusion I can scarcely think—and now—my God—what do I hear? The captain orders all into the ladies' cabin as the water is pouring in again at the other end of the boat. How my heart yearns over you, my DEAR CHILD—my first born, in this extremity. Did I ask for too much happiness that the longing of years must be swallowed up by the angry waves? No list can be made now! The lights are going out—the worst is at hand. This I can say: I had my money and real estate before I married Otis Parsons, and he signed an agreement that he would never take any of it. The boat rolls so. I can't write much more. I hereby write my last will and testament, giving you, Minnie Adams Bowdish, everything belonging to me. This is done with death in sight and with Otis Parsons' consent.

Don't linger in San Francisco longer than you must.

There is interest on deposits
God bless and keep my child.
This is from touch only. Your loving mother,
JENNIE PARSONS.

This letter Mrs. Brooke claims she mislaid for many years, and it was discovered finally by her daughter among some papers a short time ago. It is the document that is now being offered for probate as the holograph will of Jennie Parsons.

Jennie Parsons was very well known in Victoria as Jennie Mandeville, one of three sisters. One of these sisters was drowned with her in the sinking of the Pacific. The other was a Mrs. States, whose son, Wm. G. States, of New York, and Beatrice M. States are also claiming the estate; so are E. C. Parsons, Talcott Parsons and Mary F. Whelan, children of Mr. Parsons by a former wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnes of this city knew Jennie Parsons intimately, as she used to live with them at the old American hotel which Mr. Burnes kept in the early days of Victoria. Mrs. Burnes remembers that Jennie Mandeville was the widow of a Mr. Porter when she married Capt. Parsons, but never heard of Mrs. Minnie Adams Brooke, nor of Jennie Mandeville marrying a man named Adams whose daughter Mrs. Brooke claims to be. The so-called will, people who remember the story of the Pacific wreck, look upon as a humbug. For instance, the time in the letter is placed at 6:30 p.m. when the facts of the disaster show that it was between 9 and 10 o'clock at night that the collision took place. One of the passengers was Chief of Police Sullivan, whose body was picked up some days after the disaster off Beacon Hill. In his pocket was found a diary with the entry 6:30 p.m., Nov. 4, 1875, "Miners all drunk and women seasick," the very time when Mrs. Parsons is said in the letter to be writing amid the horrors of shipwreck. Again the vessel sank in about fifteen minutes after the collision, and to suppose that six long letters could be written in that time is too absurd to believe. The story of the two survivors, Jelly and Henley, were to the effect that the passengers had no time to even dress, and indeed Jennie Parson's body was seen after the wreck floating in the water with only a cloak thrown over her night dress. The evidence at the inquest held in Victoria upon some of the victims of the wreck disposes of the statement in the so-called will that for hours and hours the ship was sinking.

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." This new remedy is a great surprise and delight on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. Sold in Victoria by D. E. Campbell.

Dyspepsia causes Dizziness, Headache, Constipation, Variable appetite, Rising and Souring of Food, Palpitation of the Heart, Distress after Eating. Burdock Blood Bitters is guaranteed to cure Dyspepsia if faithfully used according to directions.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1894.

ASSETS.

SINKING FUNDS.

Waterworks Loan By-law, 1873	$ 67,029 10	
Waterworks Amendment Act, 1875	49,195 10	
Waterworks Loan By-law, 1877	11,581 50	
Corporation By-law, 1878	14,851 20	
Public Lighting By-law, 1885	6,191 95	
Drainage By-law, 1885	1,939 00	
Waterworks By-law, 1886	14,247 20	
Streets and Bridge By-law, 1886	4,048 65	
Johnson Street Sewer By-law, 1888	2,632 25	
Waterworks By-law, 1888	1,759 35	
Streets Bridges and Cemetery By-law, 1889	4,981 60	
Waterworks $70,000 By-law, 1889	7,733 80	
Waterworks $60,000 By-law, 1889	6,638 30	
Pleasure Grounds By-law, 1889	2,763 70	
Fire Department By-law, 1889	1,631 00	
Flour Mill Bonus By-law, 1889	1,689 09	
City Hall Addition By-law, 1890	3,285 04	
Cemetery By-law, 1890	1,422 00	
Sewerage By law, 1890	11,328 75	
Public Market Site By-law, 1890	1,699 40	
Public Market Building, By-law, 1890	2,076 69	
Crematory By-law, 1890	895 07	
Agricultural Association By-law, 1891	2,150 85	
Loan City Victoria Act, 1892	11,613 33	
Street Loan By-law 1892	336 40	
Surface Drains By-law, 1893	2,132 80	
Educational Loan By-law, 1893	952 85	
Electric Light By-law, 1894	18 10	
Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital By-law, 1894	57 30	
Exhibition By-law, 1894	41 25	
Sewerage By-law, 1894	164 95	
		$237,701 09

MUNICIPAL TAXES AND FEES OUTSTANDING.

Water Rents	$ 9,493 79	
Cemetery Fees	48 75	
Trades Licenses	1,027 50	
Insurance Tax	600 00	
Land and Improvement Tax	63,910 66	
Board of Health Special Fund	9,363 73	
Market Rents	80 00	
		$ 89,524 43

BANK BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

General Account	$ 3,509 44	
Educational Loan Acct.	1,231 93	
Contract Deposit Acct.	3,433 33	
Board Health Fund	5,131 31	
City Victoria Act	75 20	
Surface Drains Account	731 55	
Electric Lights, 1894	23,529 83	
Sewerage, 1894	66,938 77	
Exhibition Loan, 1894	38 91	
Waterworks, 1894	148,143 36	
Gymnasium	5 65	
		242,789 98
B. C. Corporation Ltd (Crematory Loan)		10,000 99
J. Gosnell		59 48
Cash		1,097 75
Corporation of Victoria, being excess of liabilities over assets		1,468,476 76
		$2,019,650 98

LIABILITIES.

LOANS.

Waterworks, 1873	$ 92,000 00	
do 1875	50,000 00	
do 1877	20,000 00	
Corporation, 1878	20,000 00	
Public Lighting, 1885	16 000 00	
Drainage, 1885	5 000 00	
Waterworks, 1886	75,000 00	
Streets and Bridge, 1886	50,000 00	
Waterworks $70,000, 1889	70,000 00	
do $60,000, 1889	60,000 00	
Johnson St Sewer, 1888	30,000 00	
Waterworks, 1888	20,000 00	
Pleasure Grounds, 1889	25,000 00	
Fire Department, 1889	15,000 00	
Streets, Bridges and Cemetery, 1889	45 000 00	
Flour Mill Bonus, 1889	10,000 00	
City Hall Addition, 1890	35,000 00	
Cemetery, 1890	12,500 00	
Sewerage, 1890	300,000 00	
Public Market Site, 1890	45,000 00	
do Building, 1890	55,000 00	
Crematory, 1890	10,000 00	
Agricultural Association, 1891	25,000 00	
City Victoria Act, 1892	188,000 00	
Street Loan, 1892	25,000 00	
Surface Drains, 1893	125,000 00	
Educational, 1893	85,000 00	
Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, 1894	35,000 00	
Exhibition, 1894	25,000 00	
Sewerage, 1894	100,000 00	
Electric Lighting, 1894	55 000 00	
Waterworks, 1894	150,000 00	
Deposits for use of Streets	250 00	
Contract Deposit Account	3,453 53	
Pemberton Gymnasium	5 65	
Waterworks Current Account	170,869 30	
Unpaid Interest	1,132 50	
		$2,019,650 98

City Hall, January 7, 1895.
Certified Correct.
JAMES L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
CHARLES KENT, Treasurer.

Receipts and Expenditures, 1894.

RECEIPTS.

From January 1st to December 31st, 1894.

Cash on hand		$ 3,015 96
Bank of British North America—Balance 1st January, 1894		2,437 08
Land and Improvement Tax		179,658 12
Water Rates and Rents		50,689 93
Trades Licenses		16 070 00
Liquor		18,065 00
Provincial Revenue Tax		12,351 00
Fire Insurance Companies' Tax		9,975 10
Police Court Fines and Fees		4 463 25
Road Tax		3,430 00
Cemetery Fees		2,935 75
Dog Tax		712 60
Pound Fees		680 35
Market Rents and Fees		3 031 80
Miscellaneous Receipts		5,124 38
Provincial Government Education per capita grant		16,413 20
Provincial Government in aid of Fire Department		500 00
Provincial Government Refund under Section 109 Municipal Act, 1892		2,200 76
Interest		2,916 33
Interest from investment of Sinking Funds		8 232 40
		$312,935 91
Board of Health Fund—		
Balance on hand January 1st, 1894	$ 18,513 44	
Arrears	2,624 72	
Refunds re Darcy Island Leper Station	269 47	
Interest on above	135 85	
		$ 21 843 48
		$364 779 39

City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.
Certified correct.
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.

STATEMENT.

Showing details of miscellaneous receipts:

Street lines and grades	$ 150 00
Pensions from inmates of "Home for the Aged"	156 19
Donations from Capt. Power for "Home for the Aged"	500 00
Corporation of Vancouver refund	38 64
Sale of catalogues "Library"	18 00
Sale of hay and wood "Park"	104 00
Removal of building	10 00
Cash owing to J. H. Scolle, deceased for wages (buried at expense of the city)	6 00
Corporation seal	2 00
Searching minutes	25
Refund from Sewerage Loan, 1894, for pipe	4,050 00
Drivers' licenses	14 00
Registration of vehicles	75 00
Plumbers' licenses	25
	$ 5,124 38

City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS KENT, Treasurer.
Certified correct.
JAS L. RAYMUR, Auditor.

EXPENDITURE.

From January 1st to December 31st, 1894.

SUMMARY.

I.	City Debt	$122,537 49
II.	Municipal Council	5,030 00
III.	Civic Salaries	67,118 84
IV.	City Institutions (maintenance)	37,560 62
V.	Buildings and Surveys	5,760 71
VI.	Streets, Bridges and Sidewalks	29,893 99
VII.	Miscellaneous Expenditure	25 550 45
VIII.	Education	44,936 62
IX.	Board of Health	16,711 67
		$355,100 39

City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS KENT, Treasurer.
Certified correct,
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.

DETAILED EXPENDITURE.

Statement showing the expenditure for 1894 as brought to account in the treasury of the City of Victoria from 1st January to 31st December, 1894.

I. CITY DEBT—

Interest on Debentures	$75,212 90	
Guarantee of Interest, Victoria & Sidney Railway	9,000 00	
Interest under annual Loan By law, 1894	2,233 53	
		$ 86,446 43
Sinking Funds	$27,553 48	
Interest from Investment of Sinking Funds	8,232 40	
		$ 35,785 88
Brokerage and Exchange		305 18
		$122,537 49

II. MUNICIPAL COUNCIL—

The Mayor	$ 1,700 00
The Aldermen	3,330 00
	$ 5,030 00

III. CIVIC SALARIES—

Treasurer's Office	$ 4,157 29
City Clerk's Office	2,580 00
Assessor's Office	2,475 00
Janitor	731 25
Temporary assistance, all departm'ts	411 50
Waterworks	4,672 45
Public Works	7,267 19
Cemetery	1,016 20
Park	787 50
Police	21,987 86
Fire Department	13,190 50
Library	731 20
Pound	910 50
Home for Aged and Infirm	600 00
Public Market	900 00
Street Lighting	4,470 40
	$ 67,118 84

IV. CITY INSTITUTIONS (MAINTENANCE)—

Waterworks	$ 10,328 87
Cemetery	3,107 64
Pound	101 85
Park	1,541 76
Police	5 587 45
Fire Department	6 415 35
Library	426 40
Street Lighting	5,275 38
Home for Aged and Infirm	3,778 41
Public Market	292 96
Sewerage	744 55
	$ 37,560 62

V. BUILDINGS AND SURVEYS—

City Hall Additions and Repairs	$ 2,601 10
Market Property	469 67
Fire Hall	874 57
Electric Light Building	28 00
Furniture	514 30
Defining Streets	498 25
Naming Streets	100 00
Survey Elk Lake Watershed	674 82
	$ 5,760 71

VI. STREETS, BRIDGES AND SIDEWALKS—

For all purposes	$ 29,893 99

VII. MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE—

Election Expenses	$ 775 15
Advertising and Printing	3,980 10
Stationery	923 32
Postage	280 00
Telegrams and Messenger Service	87 50
Telephone Service	1,424 00
Fuel and Light	2,287 66
Hacks and Express	208 25
Fire Insurance	1,749 00
Legal Advisers' Annual Retaining Fee	500 00
Legal Expenses	2 300 85
Refunds	182 16
Charitable Aid Fund	2,163 87
Commission on Revenue Collections	1,274 16
Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital	2,000 00
B. C. Agricultural Association	825 00
Queen's Birthday Celebration	1,000 00
Relief Work	1,000 00
Miscellaneous not detailed	2 589 13
	$ 25,550 45

VIII. EDUCATION—

Board of School Trustees	$ 11,025 62
Teachers' Salaries	33,911 00
	$ 44,936 62

IX. BOARD OF HEALTH—

Salaries	$ 2,781 69
Garbage Contract	8,395 00
Darcy Island Station for Lepers	1,724 12
Isolation Hospital	1,791 93
Morgue	779 95
For all other purposes	1,236 98
	$16,711 67

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under Authority of the Crematory By-Law.

1894. Jan. 1. Balance on hand	$10 543 86	Paid interest on Coupons	$ 1 000 00
Accrued interest	457 13	Balance on hand 31 Dec., 1894	10,000 99
	$11,000 99		$11,000 99

Certified Correct,
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under authority of the City of Victoria Act, 1892.

Bonds sold	$ 6,000 00	Balance 31 December, 1893	$ 6,087 17
Premium on same	150 00	Expenditure to do	46 10
Accrued interest	2 57	Balance on hand	75 20
Interest on debentures from 15 December, 1893, to 22 February, 1894	56 70		
	$ 6 209 27		$ 6,209 27

Certified Correct,
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City Hall, January 7 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under Authority of the Educational Loan By-Law, 1893.

1894: Jan. 1 Balance on hand	$ 45,272 66	Expenditure to 31st Dec., 1894	$44 624 53
Accrued Interest	583 80	Balance on hand, " "	1,231 93
	$45 856 46		$45,856 46

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JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor
City Hall, Jan. 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under authority of the Surface Drains By-Law, 1893.

1894. Jan. 1—Balance on hand	$58,371 06	Expenditure to 31st Dec., 1894	$58,354 31
Accrued interest	714 80	Balance	731 55
	$59,085 86		$59 085 86

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JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS KENT, Treasurer

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under authority of the Electric Lighting By-Law, 1894.

Bonds sold	$55,000 00	Expenditure to 31st Dec., 1894	$32,029 92
Accrued interest	559 05	Balance	23,529 83
	$55,559 05		$55,559 05

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under authority of the Sewerage Loan By-Law, 1890.

1894. Jan. 1—To balance on hand	$ 90 20	Transfer to Sewerage account, 1894	$1 [illegible] 92 70
Accrued Interest	2 50		
	$ 92 70		$ 92 70

Certified correct,
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under authority of the Sewerage Loan By-Law, 1894.

Amount of Bonds sold	$100,000 00	Discount on Bonds	$ 440 00
Accrued Interest	980 70	Expenditure to Dec. 31st, 1894	43 694 63
Amount from Sewerage acc't, 1890	92 70	Balance on hand	56,938 77
	$101,073 40		$101 073 40

Certified correct,
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT. Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under authority of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital By-Law, 1894.

Amount of bonds sold	$ 35,000 00	Discount on bonds	$ 154 00
		Expenditure to 31 December, 1894	34,846 00
	$ 35,000 00		$ 35,000 00

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City Hall, Jan. 7, 1895.
CHAS KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under authority of the Exhibition Loan By Law, 1894.

Amount of bonds sold	$ 25,000 00	Discount on bonds	$ 110 00
		Expenditure to 31 December, 1894	24,851 09
		Balance on hand	38 91
	$ 25 000 00		$ 25,000 00

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City Hall, Jan. 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Loan under Authority of the Water Works Loan By-Law, 1894.

Amount of Bonds sold	$150 000 00	Expenditure to 31st Dec., 1894	$ 4,700 89
Premium on " "	2,340 00	Balance	148,143 36
Accrued Interest	504 25		
	$152,844 25		$152.844 25

Certified correct.
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

Balance Sheet Broad Street Local Improvement, Dec. 31, 1894.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Cash, Bank B. N. A.	$1,757 10	Loan	$10,788 00
Corporation of Victoria, being excess of liabilities over assets	9,030 90		
	$10,788 00		$10,788 00

Certified correct,
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Broad Street Local Improvement Assessment By-Law, 1892.

1894. Jan. 1—To balance	$ 1,450 65	Interest on Debentures	564 00
Accrued Interest	68 28	Balance on hand 31st December, 1894	1,757 10
Assessments	802 87		
	$ 2,321 80		$ 2,321 80

Certified correct,
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

Pemberton Gymnasium Account.

To cash received from Executors Estate J. D. Pemberton	$ 3,000 00	Expenditure to 31st December, 1894	$ 3,015 80
Accrued interest	21 45	Balance	5 65
	$ 3 021 45		$ 3,021 45

Certified correct,
JAS. L. RAYMUR, Auditor.
City Hall, January 7, 1895.
CHAS. KENT, Treasurer.

VICTORIA
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—OF—
JOBBERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

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NOTICES.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

—$500 PREMIUM.—

A premium of $500 is hereby offered for a plan to be approved by the Corporation for Filter Beds at Beaver Lake.

Plans will be received in competition for the said premium until the 28th day of January, instant, at 4 p.m., at the office of the undersigned.

All the necessary information will be supplied at the office of the City Engineer.

The Corporation reserves the right to reject any or all plans submitted in competition.

By order.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B.C., Jan. 3, 1895. ja4

The Mechanics Lien Act, 1891

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Notice is hereby given that we, Daniel McIntyre and Phil. Chapman Butts, Assignee for the benefit of creditors of the said Daniel McIntyre, who claim a lien for money, skill and materials bestowed upon 7,538,750 feet of logs now lying in the North Arm of Cowichan Lake, in the Province of British Columbia, by the said Daniel McIntyre for the sum of $3,331.65, being a balance due to the said Daniel McIntyre by Amos Jay Highitt, of Genoa, Vancouver's Island, for such moneys, skill and materials bestowed upon said logs, will on the 30th day of January, instant, proceed to sell the said logs or so many thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy the amount of the said lien and costs by receiving tenders in writing per thousand feet for said logs, addressed to Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, 20 Bastion Street, Victoria. The said logs are marked twice on each end with each of the following words: H. 4 (a circle); H. (and a circle 4).

Dated this 11th day of January, 1895.
"DANIEL McINTYRE,"
"PHIL. CHAPMAN BUTTS,"
Assignee for the benefit of Creditors of Daniel McIntyre. ja11-12t

In the Matter of the Estate of Peter McDonald, Late of Number 50 Yates Street, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, Tobacconist, Deceased.

Pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act, notice is hereby given by Rev. Joseph Nicolaye and the Right Rev. John Nicholas Lemmens, executors of the last will and testament of the above named Peter McDonald, deceased, who died on or about the 15th day of March, A.D. 1894, that all creditors and persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased are required to send in the particulars of such claims to the said executors at the offices of Messrs. Davie & Hunter, their solicitors, at number 21 Bastion street, in the said city of Victoria, on or before the 1st day of February, A.D. 1895; and notice is hereby also given that after the said last mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the said executors shall then have notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose debt or claim they shall not then have had notice.

Dated at Victoria this 31st day of December, A.D. 1894.

DAVIE & HUNTER,
Solicitors for the Executors.
ja1-1m

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date we intend to make application to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a lease of the following described lands: First Parcel—Commencing at a stake marked "British Columbia Canning Co.'s S E. Corner," south of Point Christopher on east shore of River's Inlet, thence 5 chains east, thence 5 chains north, thence 5 chains west, thence to starting point. Second Parcel—Commencing at a stake marked "British Columbia Canning Co.'s N. E. Corner," on Grassy Flat, west shore of Schooner Passage, River's Inlet, thence 10 chains south, thence 10 chains east, thence 10 chains north, thence to post or starting post.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CANNING CO., LTD.
Victoria, B. C., December 27, 1894. de28-1m

NOTICE.

Persons owning property on streets along which sewers are now being laid are requested to furnish information at the office of the City Engineer as to the manner in which they wish their premises connected with the public sewers.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
September 10, 1894. se11-tf

NOTICE.

Bastion Street, between Government and Langley Streets, is closed to public traffic till further notice.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
December 20th, 1894. de21-tf

NOTICE

Pembroke Street, between Douglas and Blanchard Streets, is closed to public traffic till further notice.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
December 27th, 1894. de27-th

NOTICE

King's Road, between Douglas and First Streets, is closed to public traffic till further notice.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
December 13, 1894. de14

NOTICE.

Yates Street, between Broad and Government Streets, is closed to public traffic.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
September 10, 1894. se11-tf

NOTICE.

Fort Street, between Wharf and Langley Streets, is closed to public traffic till further notice.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
December 12, 1894. de13

"Fire Insurance Policy Act, 1893."

NOTICE is hereby given that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has further postponed the commencement of "An Act to secure Uniform Conditions in Policies of Fire Insurance," from the 1st day of April 1894, until the 1st day of April, 1895.

JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.
Provincial Secretary's Office,
29th March, 1894. fe10-td

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

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PROVINCIAL LOAN.

HON. MR. DAVIE resumed his address on the motion for the second reading of the loan bill. He found in looking over the report of the Finance Minister's speeches on the budget and the loan bill that there is but little ground which has not been covered by his colleague the Finance Minister in his speeches on this subject and the budget. There has been but little brought up by the opposition in their addresses on this bill which has not already been replied to by the Finance Minister. It seems to be the favorite method of the hon. gentlemen opposite to ignore altogether the replies made to their attacks in the shape of statistics and other information laid before them by members of the government and by other speakers on this side, but instead they simply go on reiterating what they have said before, after it has been fully answered. This method is characteristic of unfair controversialists everywhere; and if they make no answer it is doubtless because they have none to serve their purpose. While for the reason stated it would not be necessary for him to take up much of the material which he had at hand, he would go into some of the matters already dealt with, and while perhaps only producing proof of his contentions in other language to the same effect as that already used, he thought this might yet serve some good purpose. One hon. gentleman told the house that there has been an increase of about 300 per cent. in the cost of civil government, and another said that only about three per cent. of the revenue within the province has been expended on public works. Another stated that nearly all of the loans has gone in paying needless officials. Now, since 1887 the total receipts from the proceeds of loans has been $1,600,000 or $1,700,000 (exclusive of the parliament buildings loan, raised for that specific purpose) Besides this there has been the special deposit of $162,500 in connection with the Shuswap & Okanagan railway, making altogether, up to 1894—the period he would choose for his statements of both receipts and expenditures—about $1,800,000 received in the way of the loans and the deposit mentioned, and not taking into account the Nakusp & Slocan railway. The leader of the opposition says that if the finances of the province were controlled by wise and frugal men there would be no occasion to borrow. The same might as well be said in all parts of the world. What has been the occasion, for instance, for Ontario to borrow, through its numerous county municipalities, upwards of $50,000,000—though it is claimed that a surplus of $5,000,000 exists in the provincial treasury, but largely exists on paper only. He would like to know what occasioned the loans there, and in other colonies—what reasons existed there that will not apply with equal force to British Columbia. He would show how widely astray is the statement that from our loans nothing has been spent upon roads and other public works. The figures bearing upon this he had given roughly on Wednesday, but he could give the exact amounts now. He found that in the seven years mentioned there has been spent in this province on public works $837,854, besides $30,149 on Government House; on roads, streets and bridges $1,764,580, surveys, $222,572; and miscellaneous, including the bonus to a railway into New Westminster, $722,639; besides which there has been expended on education $1,078,704, making a total for the purposes above stated of $4,656,500 To this there has still to be added $238,675 for hospitals and charities, and $78,412 for the asylum for the insane, making an aggregate so far of $4,973,588. Besides this there has been $65,214 granted in railway subsidies, and $283,188 has been applied towards sinking funds for the payment of the loans. Altogether, then, there has been a grand total of expenditure in public works, works of utility throughout the province, hospitals and charities, for education, and for sinking funds, between 1886 87 and 1893 94, of no less than $5,321,990, while as stated before the whole amount received in the way of loans was about $1 800,000. The share of that class of expenditure contributed by the province was, therefore, $3,558,990, over and above the loans. How does that tally, he would ask, with the statement of the hon. gentleman opposite that but 3 per cent. was spent for public works?

MR. COTTON—Who said that?

HON. MR. DAVIE—"I am not sure who it was, but the Finance Minister took it up and showed its absurdity." He continued that the house has been told that the cost of government has jumped up about 300 per cent, and he would like to examine into this too. The Finance Minister showed the other day that twenty years ago the cost of civil government amounted to 60 per cent of the revenue raised in the province, where as in 1894 he cost was but little over half that percentage. Then there have been comparisons made of the expense of government in proportion to the revenue, and following out this idea he had some instructive figures to present. In the city of Victoria, for instance, in 1894 the revenue was $342,935 and the salaries amounted to $72,148 including those in connection with the administration of justice, the amount stated being over 20¾ per cent. of the revenue. In this province in 1893 the revenue was $1,019,206, while the salaries, including administration of justice throughout the province, were $249,000, or 22½ per cent. But deducting from the city $21 987 for the administration of justice, and from the province $136,653 for a like purpose, the percentage of the revenue paid in salaries is found to be 14¾ for Victoria city and less than 12½ for the province. Here we have the province, with its widely scattered population, administering its affairs at a less expense for salaries than is found necessary in a compact city like Victoria, where everyone is within a stone's throw of his neighbor. Then hon. gentlemen opposite have been comparing British Columbia with the province of Ontario, and have been telling how much better the latter has been governed than has this place—which may or may not be the fact. They have omitted to tell, however, that when Ontario entered the Canadian confederation it had a debt of about $2,840,000, which was assumed by the Dominion; and that when the Mowat government came into power there was a considerable cash surplus on hand, as shown by the statement of assets and liabilities to December 31, 1873. From this it is found that when the Mowat government succeeded that of Sandfield Macdonald there was on hand $4,672,478 practically in hard cash—in moneys invested, special deposits, and bank and open accounts. Since then this has been used up in public works and buildings, and to-day the boasted surpluses mainly consist of mere book-keeping entries. Moreover the province of Ontario has for years drawn upon her capital account by the sale of timber lands. But the point of principal significance in comparing the positions of the two provinces is that in Ontario the responsibility of government is largely taken out of the hands of the province by the municipalities, which there take over most of the functions here assumed by the provincial government. In Ontario in 1893 the cost of municipal governments was $2,350,000; they contributed in public works $6,000 000; administration of justice, $995,000; education, $4,215,000; and for miscellaneous county purposes, $1,600,000. The expense borne by the province of Ontario is insignificant compared with that of the municipalities Education, for instance, only cost $600,000 to the province, and the expense of the administration of justice is very small indeed compared with that borne by the counties. The county municipalities in Ontario have a debt of about $50,000,000, which scattered over a population of about 2,000,000 gives an average of about $25 per head. The hon. gentlemen opposite say that the debt in this province is $100 per head, but as has been shown by the Minister of Finance the net debt does not exceed $21 per head. This might well be compared with the debt of other countries In New Zealand, for example, the debt is £59 14s. 7d. per head, though it is true they own their railways there. The total debt in 1893 was £39,257,840, an increase of £544,000 in one year. Their railways cost £15,583,000, leaving £23 674 836 as the total of the debt incurred for general purposes, by a population of less than 700,000—or on the 31st December, 1892, 650,433, exclusive of Maoris, who number 41,993. Therefore, in comparison with Ontario and with New Zealand, British Columbia occupies a place beyond attack. Here the expense of general government is no larger—not so large in fact—as in Ontario, where the government is centred at Toronto. The total expenditure for civil government salaries in British Columbia has been, including administration of justice, in 1889, $152,803 17; in 1890 $160 437 51; in 1891, $181,805 34; in 1892, $218,001 58, making a total of $713,047.60 out of an income of $3,555,483 94 in those four years, or a ratio of expenditure to income of 14 43 per cent. Compare this with the cost of any commercial or financial business—with insurance, for instance The insurance superintendent's report for 1891 showed the Canadian insurance companies' percentage of expense to revenue is $19 50, and the rate of general expense per cent. of premium income for fire companies in Canada for 1891 averages 33 per cent. The debt of $21 per head in this province, or even if it were $100 per head, as claimed by the opposition, is nothing compared with £59 14s. 7d. in New Zealand, £45 1s. in New South Wales, £37 11s. 2d. in Victoria, £65 17 10d. in South Australia, and £71 15s. 9d.—or about $350—per head in Queensland.

MR COTTON—That is the colonial debt.

HON. MR DAVIE said this was so, but adding the proportion of debt of the Dominion to the $21 of the Province, British Columbia is still very far behind these other countries in point of indebtedness. Sparsely settled as this province is, with its tremendous distances, the expense of public works, and works of development and opening up means of communication, is very large, and the cost of government, scattered to every corner, far larger than in compact and well settled countries. Hon. gentlemen persistently ignore the fact that the debt here has been compiled wholly for publicworks and works of utility, the province during the last eight years contributing towards these objects two or three times the amount borrowed, and the authentic figures in this respect show how untruthful have been the contentions of some of the hon. gentlemen opposite. The hon. members from Vancouver do not tell of the debt of upwards of $2,000,000 contracted by their own city in a few years, nor of that of Victoria, also upwards of $2,000,000, the indebtedness of these two cities thus being far more than that of the province. British Columbia is in a sound financial position; the blue ruin and bankruptcy contentions of the opposition in face of the facts alarm no one. Prior to 1891—when the present Finance Minister floated his first inscribed stock loan—no one in the country ever dreamed that the country could in a few years—under that system—borrow within a point or two as cheaply as the most favored colony in the world. Yet such is the fact to-day. The member for East Lillooet (Mr. Prentice) has ventured the prediction that the Finance Minister will find it hard indeed to get the price at which the securities of the province are now quoted—98 or 99—for the new loan. No one ever thought for a moment (who knew anything about the subject) that we can realize the quotation price; no country in the world could. The Dominion government the other day floated a loan when its 3 per cents were at 101½, and underwrote its stock at 95. The Provincial securities generally range 1½ under those of the Dominion.

MR WILLIAMS—They have been falling lately.

HON. MR. DAVIE—No doubt; it always does fall just after payment of the half year's dividends and goes up as the time for paying dividends approaches.

MR WILLIAMS—It should go up after the dividend is paid. (Great laughter)

HON MR DAVIE continued that the remark just made shows how much the hon. gentleman knows about it. (Renewed laughter.) In the course of the debate upon the budget the house was informed that the government starved the districts which did not send supporters, and he read the following passage from an organ of the opposition to illustrate the position they take:

"Any reference to the favoritism shown by the Davie government to districts which return supporters is received by the gentlemen on the government side of the house with a chuckle of delight and amusement. One might rather expect right-thinking men to look grave over the exposure of corruption and crookedness."

MR. COTTON—Where is that from?

HON. MR DAVIE—The News-Advertiser, isn't it? No? Well, opposition organs do not always agree in their complaints. It must be from the Times.

MR COTTON—I don't agree with it.

HON. MR. DAVIE said that though the opposition had up to the 7th of July preached a doctrine similar to that contained in the paragraph he had just read, when after that date they wanted to induce some constituencies to vote for them they changed their tune. He had heard Mr. Sword at one meeting solemnly assure his hearers that the districts returning opposition members fared best at the hands of the government, and the same thing was said in West Kootenay. But the second member for Vancouver had referred to the "hideous depravity" of the government in starving the districts opposed to them, and he had heard it stated that he had promised Vancouver a dry dock, a university, a tramway, a railway to the moon or something else. He had replied that he never promised anything, and then the hon. gentleman referred to a copy of a telegram published in the "World" and sent from Englishman's River. That telegram, however, contained no promise. It said he was favorable to the projects of a dry dock and university. The people of Vancouver, however, were not favorable to his policy, and refused to help him to carry it out. They therefore could not expect that he could carry through a policy which they so roundly condemned. (Laughter.) The government was told that it ought not to borrow money—ought not to adopt the practice of all the countries of the world, who realize the necessity of borrowing from the store of money which has gravitated to the hands of a few. In France the government was 25,000,000 francs behind for ordinary expenses of government for the year; Great Britain had a deficit of millions of pounds; the United States went behind $78,000,000 last year and $69,000,000 this; the Australasian colonies, and the Dominion of Canada itself had deficits and had to borrow. The United States borrows $50,000,000 and Russia is borrowing £20,000,000—while with other countries it is the same way.

MR. COTTON—What for? Railways!

HON. MR DAVIE said this was precisely the case, just as British Columbia proposes to borrow for public improvements. If the government had followed the policy of the hon. gentlemen opposite—of some of those not now in the house—of starving all the districts, there would have been abundance of money to carry on affairs without borrowing. It must be remembered that at this stage of its development this province is very difficult to govern without great expense. In Ontario the cost of the administration of justice to the provincial government is 20 cents per head of the population; here it is $1 45 per head. Public works cost per head 22 cents in Ontario, and $5 70 in British Columbia. Yet Ontario is held up to this province for purposes of comparison! The cost of education there to the government is 33 cents per head; here it is $2 00 or more. Legislation there costs 16 cents per head against 30 cents in British Columbia. Ontario contributes to the municipalities practically nothing, but collects from them a great part of the fees for liquor licenses. The hon. member for East Yale (Mr. Graham) had dwelt upon the Shuswap & Okanagan railway and had told the house what a bad bargain that was. It is easy to be wise after the event, but as that hon. gentleman resided in the district benefited it is safe to say that no one wanted the railway worse than he did. It is a pity he kept his wisdom bottled up until he came to the house, and as he must have had political aspirations at the time the road was built, and must have taken an interest in public affairs, he should have sounded a note of warning in time. Whatever there is to condemn in that affair, however, the blame attaches on both sides of the house, and as much to the present leader of the opposition as to anyone else.

MR SEMLIN—Oh no!

HON. MR DAVIE—"Oh yes; excuse me!" He showed how the bill went through unanimously, and that it remained for the government to discover, as they did when they altered the plan in the case of the Nakusp & Slocan railway, the objectionable features of the Shuswap & Okanagan guarantee which they had remedied in the Nakusp & Slocan act. One great difficulty arises from the desire to secure low rates of freight for the people of the Okanagan district, but there is nothing very remarkable in the fact quoted to the house this session that the C.P.R. applies a pro rata rate on through freight which passes over the Shuswap & Okanagan branch. In answer to the hon. gentlemen who wanted to know why the election in Cariboo was brought on at the time it was, he wished to say that that was purely accidental. If he had had his way it would not have been held on that day, and he had telegraphed the returning officer a suggestion to that effect. He sent this message from North Bend, where he was stopped by the floods when on the way to Cariboo. The returning officer, however, was of a different opinion, and proceeded with the election, and he was inclined to think now that the officer was right. At all events no petition was entered, as would have been the case if the opposition had seen the slightest chance to win the district. If a new election had been held it would have been still more in favor of the government, for as it was three candidates ran on that side for the two seats. The fact is that when the writ was issued directing the election to be held in Cariboo on the same day as the rest a telegram was sent to the returning officer informing him of the fact, and he acted on the telegram when the writ did not arrive. He thought the hon. gentlemen opposite have nothing to complain of in the matter of the elections being delayed in some constituencies. In fact if the polling in East Yale had taken place on the first day he would in all probability not have had the pleasure of the company in the house of the present hon. member (Mr. Graham) with whom it is a pleasure to be associated. It happened, however, that some of the remarks made at a political meeting in Victoria were misinterpreted in East Yale, and that had some effect in arousing an unjust prejudice against the government. In this connection he might say that there is no occasion for apprehension. There is only one determination with the government and their supporters, and that is to regard the interests of the whole country, and it must not be supposed that any policy—with respect to the assistance of railways or otherwise—will be adopted if it cannot be defended as in the interest of the country at large. He was sorry to hear from the senior member for Vancouver (Mr. Williams) that he could not state his policy for fear that the government would steal it. He should think that that was a piece of vandalism which would be excusable and which the opposition should court. For the past four years the words of the opposition have been that they will prescribe when they are called in—in the language of an eminent English statesman—but the public have the right to expect more from them. In the meantime he commended to the house the bill now under consideration. It is a certainty that population cannot come into the province until means of development are provided in the shape of roads and bridges. In Kootenay the most encouraging returns are being made for the expenditure, and he asked what are the few hundred thousands expended there in comparison with the returns. He was told that there would be $1,500,000 in silver ores taken out of Kootenay this winter. This was only a commencement and showed the gigantic strides the revenue was about to make. It is a matter for congratulation that the prospects are so bright—and that the country is in so sound a position, able to borrow money upon the most favorable terms for the development of her resources, and he had every confidence in asking the house to vote the second reading of this bill. (Applause.)

MR. KITCHEN argued that the correspondence of last year shows that the government should be very careful indeed how it goes on the London market for another loan. He considered that the investors are very likely to come to think that the bonds of the province are not an altogether safe investment, any more than a bank would think it safe to invest in the notes of a business man not carrying on his business in a careful manner. He denied that he for one of the opposition has ever asked that the expenditure on works of development should be curtailed. Respecting the incident at the 150 Mile house to which the Attorney-General referred when he said Mr. Prentice had two years ago declared himself a supporter of the government, he (Mr. Davie) might better have "left it in abeyance," as that was "the time when he was made to swallow an untruth." He proceeded to compare the expenditures of British Columbia with those of another province with about the same population—Prince Edward Island, which for a number of officials (not named) he found paid a good deal less than is paid for officials in similar positions here. (Laughter.) He advocated a reduction in the expenditure for education, which he held to be on an extravagant scale, but said he would not further refer to this matter at present as he understood that the Minister intends to make an effort in that direction. He believed that this province has not yet seen the worst of the hard times.

MR. MCPHERSON reviewed the recent campaign in Vancouver, and amidst the applause of the opposition quoted Scripture to show a parallel for the promises alleged to have been made by the Attorney-General.

MR. GRAHAM, recalling the expression of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, said he thought it is time for the government to look out for the soft spot to run the ship of state ashore, as it is now drifting helplessly with the tide. He admitted that the government is entitled to great credit for the way in which it dealt with the sufferers of the Fraser river floods.

MR. KENNEDY stated his reasons "as one of the small fry of the opposition" for opposing the loan.

MR. COTTON characterized the speech of the Attorney-General as special pleading on behalf of the government; but declared he did not wish to treat this as a party question, recognising that the government is in a hole out of which it must get through the passage of this loan bill. He criticised the financial calculations made this afternoon, which he held were at least misleading, and he compared the Attorney General with the personage in Macbeth who would not play false but yet would falsely win. Respecting the statment that out of the revenue collected in the province only three cents in the dollar is available for public improvements, he found that it was he who had made it, in the budget debate, when, as reported in the COLONIST, he said that out of the ordinary revenue of the province, exclusive of the receipts for land sales, there is at present only three cents out of every dollar available for other than the ordinary purposes of the government—so heavy have the charges become upon the liabilities of all sorts. This had not been correctly quoted by the Attorney-General, but he maintained that it is a fact. He calculated the liabilities to amount to a gross total of between seven and eight million dollars, including the guarantees to railway enterprises and the amount of the loan now asked from the house. As he estimated the white population of the province at rather less than 65,000, he held that we "can't get away with less than $100 of debt per head." He contended that the Australian colonies and New Zealand not being, as British Columbia is, merely part of a confederation, our debt cannot fairly be compared with theirs. As he wished to refer to many other matters he moved the adjournment of the debate.

Motion agreed to.

MR HELMCKEN presented a petition from the Cariboo hydraulic mining company respecting certain provisions of Bill No. 28 now before the house.

HON. MR. DAVIE presented the annual report of the Superintendent of Provincial Police.

The house adjourned at 6 p.m.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Hon. Mr. Turner—To introduce a bill intituled "An act for the incorporation of cheese and butter associations."

Hon. Mr. Turner—To introduce a bill intituled "An act to provide against frauds in the supplying of milk to cheese and butter manufactories."

Dr. Walkem—For correspondence respecting the appointment of a resident physician for the provincial asylum for the insane.

Mr. Williams—That an order of the house be granted for a return of all correspondence relating to the absconding of one Burton, official stenographer, who had been appointed by Mr. Justice Crease receiver of the bindery department of the News-Advertiser, with a statement of any securities given by him.

Hon. Col. Baker—To introduce a bill for the incorporation of the British Columbia society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

PERSONAL.

Hedley Chapman returned by the Charmer yesterday evening.

M. Baker, of London, Eng., is registered at the New England.

T. S. Gore, jr., and Mrs. Gore left for New York last evening, via the N.P.R.

Superintendent J. Wilson, of the C P.R. telegraphs, arrived down from Nanaimo yesterday.

Thos. W. Keene, Mrs. Keene and Mrs. Baker, of the Keene company, are at the Driard.

John Benyon and wife, Seattle; Herbert Messer, Ottawa; and J. E. H. Walters, London, England, are guests at the Dallas.

D. Robson, city clerk of Westminster; C. Bazett, Duncan; and Moreton Baker, London, England, are among the arrivals at the New England.

A. Magneson, of Thomas Earle & Co., is visiting San Francisco on business of great personal importance and of considerable interest to his many friends

Surgeon A. S. G. Bell, R. N., now serving on board H.M.S. Aurora, guardship at Battery Bay, has been appointed to this station for duty with the detachments of Royal Marine Artillery and Royal Engineers.

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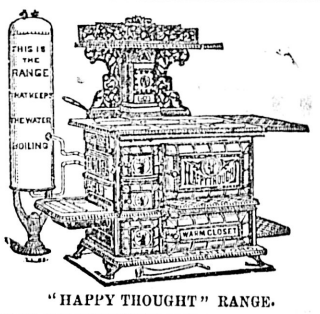

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